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Moscow Paper Derides Report Of Change Toward Jews

Western reports that Moscow might permit some of its 3,000,000 Jews to leave for Israel, the newspaper Isvestia declared, are "provocative fabrications" designed to shake Arab confidence in the friendship of the Soviet Union.

Isvestia declared that such emigration would increase the military and manpower potential of Israel against the Arab nations. The newspaper said the thought that Moscow would tolerate such help was a "badly smelling concoction."

A denial that Soviet policy toward Jewish emigration would change was essentially the same as one broadcast abroad by the Moscow radio previously. The Soviet Government said that it would not alienate its Arab friends by permitting the emigration of Jews to Israel, says the New York Times.

Isvestia said also that Soviet Jews would not take part in a forthcoming Zionist congress in Stockholm. Soviet Jews, it said, have looked upon Zionism as a "reactionary movement" since the Communists came to power here in 1917. "There has not been and there cannot be any review of their attitude toward Zionism," it said.

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Soviet Marks 100th Anniversary Of Yiddish Writer

The 100th anniversary of the birth of Sholom Aleichem, famous writer in Yiddish, has received wide attention in the Soviet Union. No comparable attention or respect had been given to Yiddish literature in the Soviet Union in many years. The commemoration also contrasted strongly with past Soviet policy.

For many years the Soviet Union prohibited the publication of any books in Yiddish. In 1952 a number of prominent Soviet writers in Yiddish were executed.

The Soviet Government issued a stamp marking the centennial and announced plans to issue a large edition of Sholom Aleichem's complete works, in Russian translation and in six volumes, says the New York Times. A report received in New York said that a Soviet telecast had included readings and enactments of Sholom Aleichem's writings in Russian.

Both Pravda, the Communist Party newspaper, and Isvestia, the Soviet Government newspaper, printed articles devoted to the anniversary and to praise for the contribution made by Sholom Aleichem's writings. A meeting was held in Moscow to commemorate the anniversary, and a volume of Sholom Aleichem's writings was issued, the first book in Yiddish in more than a decade.

The Moscow meeting was sponsored by the Soviet Peace Committee, the administration of the Writers Union, and the Ministry of Culture. Boris Polevoi, a noted Russian writer of Jewish origin, was chairman.

The meeting was addressed by a Russian writer, V. Ivanov, and by several Jewish writers, including Samuel Marshak, the noted poet and translator; A. Vergelis, and S. Galkin. Paul Robeson participated in the meeting which included recitations of works by Sholom Aleichem.

Despite these and other honors paid Sholom Aleichem, there is still no firm evidence that the Soviet Government intends to permit the publication of new writings in Yiddish or to reinstitute the publication of a Yiddish newspaper.

These activities stopped in late 1948, when the Emes (Truth) Publishing House was closed down as part of an anti-Jewish campaign ordered by Stalin, says the New York Times. The campaign began after Soviet Jews had shown pro-Zionist sympathies in an enthusiastic reception for the first Israeli Ambassador to the Soviet Union, Mrs. Golda Meir.

The official Soviet position in recent years was stated by First Deputy Premier Anastas I. Miko-

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Israel Bond Official Says Huge Funds To Be Used In Negev To Integrate Newcomers

The Israel Bond Organization formulated a program of expanded economic development for Israel to enable it to integrate many thousands more Jews in the next five years. The program will be financed by a new $300,000,000 bond issue.

The details of the program were put before the Miami Beach sessions in the Fontainebleau Hotel by Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, vice-president of the organization, who directs its operation at its headquarters in New York, says the New York Times. Dr. Schwartz said that the funds from the bond issue would be used mostly in the Negev. He listed these major allocations of the funds:

"$68,000,000 for agriculture, including $30,000,000 for regional and local irrigation projects, $20,000,000 for the establishment of new settlements, $5,000,000 for loans for the expansion of livestock, $4,000,000 for loans for the expansion of fruit plantations, and $4,000,000 for agricultural research and extension of agricultural education.

"$87,000,000 for mining and industry, including $30,000,000 for the generation of electric power, $30,000,000 for mineral and basic chemical industry, $17,000,000 for working capital for loans for industry and $10,000,000 for the promotion of export trade.

"$45,000,000 for transportation and communication, including $12,000,000 for development of harbors, $12,000,000 for telecommunications; $11,000,000 for aviation, and $10,000,000 for the construction of railways.

"$20,000,000 for low cost housing for immigrants.

"$10,000,000 for construction of schools and other public buildings.

"$25,000,000 for the construction of oil pipe lines, including a new sixteen-inch line from Elath to Haifa."

Abraham Feinberg, of New York, president of the organization, announced that those of its officers had been named to direct a campaign to sell a minimum of $75,000,000 of the bonds this year:

Ira Guilden, New York, national campaign chairman; Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, of Cleveland, chairman of the board of governors; Lawrence G. Laskey, of Boston, chairman of the executive committee; Mrs. Joseph Chermer, of Washington, chairman of the women's division; Alexander Lowenthal, of Pittsburgh, chairman of Guardians of Israel; Albert A. Levin, of Cleveland, chairman of the community leadership division, and Adolf L. Hamburger, of Baltimore, chairman of the synagogue division.

The bonds are available as fifteen-year coupon bonds that pay four per cent interest and as ten-year savings bonds that mature at 150 per cent of the issue amount.

A record sale of $19,558,250 in Israel Bonds official marked the floating of the $300,000,000 Second Development Issue for the expansion of Israel's economy, says the New York Times. The new program for increasing American investment in Israel's economy was adopted as Israel was confronted with mounting economic burdens because of the heavy new stream of immigrants from eastern Europe.

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Great German Music Orthologist Expert Left In 1933, Enriched America

Dr. Curt Sachs, noted musicologist, who died in New York at Mount Sinai Hospital, aged 77 years, and lived at 1781 Riverside Drive, was considered one of the great musicologists of German origin. Dr. Sachs was perhaps best-known to New Yorkers for the lectures he gave on the history of music at the New York Public Library, Fifth Avenue and Forty-second Street, during a period of several years beginning in 1949.

These weekly lectures included a series, "From Beethoven to Richard Strauss," ten lectures on the operas of Wagner, talks on Berlioz and Chopin, and a series on "Music, Dance, And Life."

In 1937 Dr. Sachs was appointed visiting Professor of Music at the Graduate School of Liberal Arts of New York University, says the New York Times. He served many years in the post. He was born in Berlin and educated at the University of Berlin, specializing in the history of music and art and receiving a Ph.D. in 1904 for a thesis on the sculpture of Verrocchio.

He first entered the field of art criticism, later conducting an intensive research in musical history. Delving into hitherto unexplored fields, he became convinced that a study of the musical instruments of the past would reveal much about ancient music. Much of this study work bore ultimate fruit in his book, "The History of Musical Instruments," published in New York in 1940.

Dr. Sachs had achieved considerable note in Germany by 1919, when a number of institutions of higher musical learning began to seek his services. The Berlin State Museum of Musical Instruments was placed in his charge. He became Professor of Musicology at the University of Berlin and later Professor of Music History at the German National Academy of Music.

During the years before the rise of Hitler he also held many other important posts. He prepared a series of phonograph records of ancient music completed in 1930. Lecture tours took him over many parts of Europe and to the U.S.

He resigned his German positions in 1933 and left the country rather than remain under the Nazi yoke, says the New York Times. After sojourning in Paris and London he received a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation that enabled him to carry on his work. In France he served as curator of the instrument collection of the Ethnological Museum. His recordings of ancient music won him the French Grand Prix five times.

Dr. Sachs had won his appointment at N. Y. U. before he came to America. On arrival he was also made music consultant to the Public Library. Later the Metropolitan Museum of Art commissioned him to restore the Crosby-Brown collection of instruments.

Among the leading books published by Dr. Sachs in the U. S.

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Urge Soviet To Let Jews Out

The Rabbinical Council of America, the largest Jewish Orthodox rabbinical group in the country, urged the Soviet Union "to allow its Jewish citizens the privilege of emigrating to the lands of their choice."

The Council unanimously adopted a statement of principles that declared that "in the face of recent Soviet denials that it has any intention of permitting such emigration, we strongly urge the Soviet Government to grant a greater measure of religious freedom, with the right to religious education, as well as worship" to Jews in the Soviet Union.

The statement added that "it is no longer a secret that the Jews have been the most restricted of all the Russian minority groups in their cultural and religious expressions." It was adopted by 800 rabbis attending the Council's midwinter conference in Atlantic City, N. J., at the Chelsea Hotel, says the New York Times. It was presented by Rabbi Hayim Donin, of Detroit, chairman of the council's Social Actions Commission. Earlier, Rabbi Emanuel Rackman of New York, president of the Council, and Rabbi David M. Wachtfogel, of Philadelphia, the convention chairman, made strong pleas for the restoration of the cultural and religious rights of Soviet Jews.

At another session, Rabbi Charles Weinberg of Boston, the Council's first vice-president, scored "unwarranted charges" by Jewish Reform rabbinical leaders that "Orthodox Judaism doesn't grant full recognition to the worth, honor, and greatness of the woman." Rabbi Weinberg said there "is no such religious concept as female inferiority and degradation in any of the holy teachings of Orthodoxy."

"The prohibition of mixed pews in Orthodox synagogues does not indicate that women are being relegated to any secondary, demeaning or obscure niche in the whole set-up of Jewish communal and personal living," he said.

He said the synagogue "is intended to raise the elements of devotional service to a higher plane of spiritual purity, personal dedication and psychological wholesomeness."

At a luncheon session, Gustav Stern, New York industrialist, announced that a series of events throughout the country this year would honor the recent seventieth birthday of Israel's Chief Rabbi, Isaac Halevi Herzog, says the New York Times. Mr. Stern is chairman of the events committee. He said a commemorative volume containing greetings to Rabbi Herzog would be presented to him in Israel by an American Jewish delegation at the end of the year.

The head of the Rabbinical Council of America appealed to President Eisenhower to extend "special emergency assistance" to Israel to help that country absorb the heavy influx of immigrants from East Europe, particularly Rumania. In urging action, Rabbi Emanuel Rackman, president, recalled that President Eisenhower had set "a splendid example by granting prompt and indispensable help to Hungarian refugees in 1956 and 1957."

Rabbi Rackman, who recently returned from Israel where he headed a rabbinical mission, cited the acute lack of housing and other problems confronting Jewish immigrants. He also appealed to the lay and spiritual leaders of Christianity "to join forces with American Jews" in aiding the settlement of these immigrants by supporting the United Jewish Appeal.

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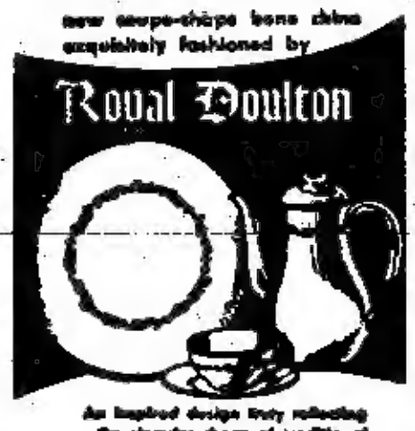

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shapiro, 4670 Maplewood Avenue, spent a month in Miami Beach, Florida, stopping in New York for several days on their way home.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Paskin, 5759 Plantagenet Street, took a two-month holiday in Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Groper, 89 McNider Avenue, visited their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Lieberman (nee Isabel Groper), and new-born daughter, Robin Jay, of Saint John, N. B.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Woshinsky, 8230 Birnam Avenue, visited their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Younger (nee Doris Woshinsky), and new-born son, Gary, of Hawkesbury, Ont.

Miss Edith Koltz, 5632 Clark Street, is spending some time in Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Levine, 4670 Van Horne Avenue, spent three weeks, in Miami Beach, Florida.

Mrs. Jack Segal, 5271 Hutchison Street, is in Los Angeles, Calif.

Here for the bar-mitzvah of Leonard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Nirenberg, 1818 North Avenue, who was called to the Reading of the Law, at Young Israel Synagogue, were: Mr. and Mrs. Lester Engel and daughters, Sandra and Cheryl, of Van Nuys, Calif.; and Mrs. E. Avni and daughter, Varda, of Chicago, Ill., uncle and aunts.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rubin, of Brooklyn, N. Y., will be here for the bar-mitzvah of their nephew, William, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gershon Rubin, 5210 Van Horne Avenue, who will be called to the Reading of the Law, on March 21, at Chevra Kadisha-Bnai Jacob Synagogue.

Mrs. Bessie Levy, 5933 Clark Street, is in the Bronx, N. Y., for the marriage of Miss Sandra Ravitz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ravitz, to her son, Harold Levy, the son of the late David Levy.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dobsinsky, 4775 Plantagenet Avenue, were in Miami Beach, Florida, for six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Cohen, 20 Spring Grove Crescent, are spending some time in Miami Beach, Florida.

Here for the bar-mitzvah of Allan Sheldon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mendel Levine, 4869 St. Urbain Street, who will be called to the Reading of the Law in celebration of his bar-mitzvah on March 28, at the Nusach Haari Synagogue, will be: Mrs. Ida Weiner, great-aunt of the bar-mitzvah boy; and daughter, Miss Ann Weiner, and Mr. and Mrs. S. Shick, all of New York; and Mr. and Mrs. S. Pines and sons, Carl and Andy, of Bathurst, N.B.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Feldman, 752 Belmont Avenue, were in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Ransen, 28 Shorncliffe Avenue, were in California.

Miss Arlene Israel, 4727 Westmount Boulevard, is at Lake Placid, N. Y.

Dr. and Mrs. Mark Kaufman, 771 Belmont Avenue, will return in about a month from a vacation in Bermuda, B.W.I.

Mrs. W. Potechin, 4783 Victoria Avenue, is back from a holiday in Miami Beach, Florida.

Here for the bar-mitzvah of Gordon Michael, son of Mrs. Dorothy Zackon, 5417 Victoria Avenue, and the late Myer Zackon, who will be called to the Reading of the Law, on March 21, at the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, will be: Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Kaye and sons, Steven and Philip, and Mrs. Isadore Martin and son, Jack, all of Cornwall, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Nalmark and son, Michael, of Toronto, Ont.; and Charles Horwitz, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Slone, and Mrs. Percy Levine, all of Ottawa, Ont.

Dr. and Mrs. I. Echenberg, 4809 Wilson Avenue, will return on March 27 from Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam. Levy, 4451 Circle Road, spent two and one-half weeks on a cruise in the Caribbean.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Strub, 79 Melrose Avenue South, Hamilton, Ont., visited their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Epstein (nee Doris Strub), and new-born son, Michael Bruce, 4750 Plamondon Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Weissler, 4936 Jean Brillant Avenue, spent two months on vacation in Jamaica, B.W.I.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Goldberg, 6636 Cork Avenue, spent some time in Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Naimer, 330 Dufferin Road, visited their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Freedman (nee Natalie Naimer), and new-born son, Alan Michael, of Saint John, N.B.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Glazer, 5230 Grand Boulevard, spent two and one-half months on a trip to Japan.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Guttman, 1930 Cambridge Road, spent six weeks at the Biltmore Terrace in Miami Beach, Florida.

Mrs. Hyman Fishler, 4907 Borden Avenue, was present at a luncheon in Toronto, Ont., for Miss Marilyn Mazin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mazin, and the fiancee of Martin Lederman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lederman, all of Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller, 551 Kindersley Avenue, have spent the latter part of the winter in Mexico, California, and the Hawaiian Islands; and will return home at the end of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Lipson, 5720 Bedford Road, spent a week in New York on their wedding trip. Mrs. Lipson is the former Miss Sylvia Karpman, daughter of Mrs. Ann Karpman, 2537 Brinton Road, and the late Morris Karpman. Mr. Lipson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Saul Lipson, 5852 Westbury Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gross, 736 Lanark Crescent, are back from Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Miller, 6275 Macdonald Avenue, spent some time in Miami Beach, Florida.

Mrs. Harry Blitstein, 4978 Kent Avenue, returned from Acapulco and Mexico City, Mexico, where she was the guest of Miss Sylvia Lefkovits.

Mr. and Mrs. Myer Berson, 5818 Snowdon Avenue; and his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Berson, 2012 Cornwall Street, Vancouver, B.C.; and their sister, Mrs. Jack Issen (nee Mabel Berson), 3791 Girouard Avenue, were in New York, for the funeral of their brother, Louis Berson.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Pinsky, 5217 Rosedale Avenue, and Mr. and Mrs. R. Markovitch, 5211 Rosedale Avenue, spent four weeks in Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Nudleman and children, Paula, Stanley, and Murray, formerly of 722 A. Querbes Avenue, have taken up residence at 5545 Oakwood Avenue.

Miss Barbara G. Pinchuk, 4714 La Peltrie Street, spent a few days visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Mark Zander, of Eastview, Ottawa, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Tucker, 4845 Mackenzie Avenue, are in Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Zipkin, 4818 Mackenzie Avenue, visited their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Pager (nee Lida Zipkin), of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Sager, 4956 Dornal Avenue, are in Israel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Lasar, 4935 Ponsard Avenue, are in Israel.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Segal, spent their wedding trip at the Nevele Country Club, in Ellenville, N. Y., and New York. Mrs. Segal is the former Miss Esther Sinaefsky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Sinaefsky, 4740 Linton Avenue. Mr. Segal is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Segal, 5271 Hutchison Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Simon, 5168 Bourret Avenue, spent five weeks in Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Segal, 4955 Carlton Avenue, spent two months in Miami Beach, Florida.

Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Barkun, formerly of 3360 Goyer Road, have taken up residence at 5725 Hudson Road.

Here for the marriage of Miss Sylvia Karpman, daughter of Mrs. Ann Karpman, 2537 Brinton Road, and the late Morris Karpman, to Stanley Lipson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Saul Lipson, 5852 Westbury Avenue, were: Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Vineberg, Mr. and Mrs. M. Vineberg, and Mr. and Mrs. M. Math, all of Sherbrooke, Que.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Flower, 7906 Westbrooke Road, gave a supper at their home prior to the marriage of Miss Rita Smith, 4605 Grand Boulevard, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Smith, of Montreal, and the fiancee of her brother, Joel Barg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Barg, 7731 Birnam Avenue. A presentation of a cheque was made.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wiseman, 905 Ball Avenue, celebrated their fifteenth wedding anniversary on February 24. Their son is Allan, aged thirteen and one-half years. Mrs. Wiseman is the former Miss Avice Shaw, daughter of Mrs. R. Shaw, of London, England. Mr. Wiseman is the son of Mrs. Fanny Wiseman, 4805 St. Kevin Avenue.

Mrs. Max Gross, 2229 Maplewood Avenue, entertained seventeen guests at a luncheon at Ogilvy's in honour of Miss Sylvia Rabinovitch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rabinovitch, 6050 Darlington Avenue, the fiancee of her son, Norman Gross. The table was centered with pink and white carnations.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Israel Kaufman, 1010 Lapointe, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Carol Leona Kaufman, to Harvey Rosenbloom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rosenbloom, 7496 Champagneur Avenue. The marriage takes place on September 20, at Young Israel of Val Royal, Rabbi Irving Rosner officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. George Apple, 834 Stuart Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Harriet Apple, to Leonard Greenspoon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Greenspoon, 2440 Bedford Road. The marriage will take place on September 7, at Beth David-Beth Yitzchok-Kehal Jeshurun Synagogue, Rabbi I. J. Teicher officiating.

DEATHS

Alexander Yaphe, 4024 Lacombe Avenue, aged ninety-two years, died on Monday, February 2. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Minnie Yaphe; a daughter, Mrs. Shirley Schwartz, 4024 Lacombe Avenue; a granddaughter, Mrs. Lawrance S. Gandall (Judith), 4024 Lacombe Avenue; and a sister, Miss Ida Yaphe, of Montreal. Funeral services took place from Paperman's. Rabbi David Roth officiated. Burial was at Chevra Kadisha-Bnai Jacob Cemetery.

Morris Greenberg, 6300 Dupuis Avenue, died on Tuesday, March 3. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ethel Aberman Greenberg; a son, Samuel, 732 Stuart Avenue; two daughters: Mrs. Norman Cuttler (Rose), 6070 Darlington Avenue; Mrs. Peter Stupp (Roslyn), 2727 Goyer Avenue; three grandchildren: Sharon Greenberg; and Leona and Gerald Cuttler; and a brother, Benjamin Greenberg, of Israel. Funeral services took place from Paperman's. Rabbi J. Grunblatt officiated. Burial was at Shevat Achim Cemetery.

Flt. Lt. Edward Leonard Fine, died accidentally in the line of duty at Gimli, Man., on Monday, March 9. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ola Fine; a daughter, Monica, aged three years; and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Fine, 770 Cavanagh Street. Funeral services took place from Paperman's. Dr. C. N. Denburg, Rabbi, officiated. Burial was at Adath Israel Cemetery. His wife and daughter are living at the Air Force base, at Gimli, where Lt. Fine was stationed. He met death when the T-33 trainer took off from Gimli Base, fifty-seven miles north of Winnipeg, on an instrument training flight, and crashed two hours later. Lt. Fine was a veteran of nine years with the RCAF. He had served with the 441 Squadron in Germany and France. He had also seen service with the Navy during the war. After the war he entered the University of Toronto, where he received his Arts degree in 1949. After six months employment with a Montreal cycle firm, he re-enlisted in the Air Force on the pilot training plan. He graduated as a pilot in January, 1951. Lt. Fine was married in London, England, in 1954. He returned to Canada and entered the flight instructors' school at Trenton, Ont., in 1956.

Louis Herson, of New York, formerly of Montreal, died at the the Memorial Hospital, there, on Tuesday, February 10. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Minnie Tatiner Berson; two daughters: Mrs. Louis Steinberg (Eileen), of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. E. Gould (Adrianne), of Kittaning, Pa.; five grandchildren: Dave, Randy, and Shelly Beth Steinberg; and Bruce Gould; two brothers: Myer, 5318 Snowdon Avenue, Montreal; Hyman, 2012 Cornwall Street, Vancouver, B. C.; and three sisters: Mrs. Jack Issen (Mabel), 3791 Girouard Avenue, Montreal; Mrs. Samuel Brassloff (Lily), 2258 Jerome Street, Toledo, Ohio; and Mrs. Charles Goltman (Jeannette), 1676 Fifty-fourth Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. Burial took place in Woodbridge, N. J.

BIRTHS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Irving Green (nee Bella Mincoff), 1921 Jean Talon Street West, at the Jewish General Hospital, on February 10, a son, David Marshall; brother of Ellen, aged five years; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Mincoff, 7625 Champagneur Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. O. Green, 8155 L'Acadie Avenue; great-grandson of Mrs. Sara Green, 8155 L'Acadie Avenue. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. Mincoff, grandparents. Mr. Green, the grandfather, held the baby during the ceremony.

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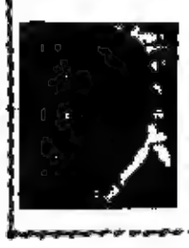

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Social Notes — Montreal

Mr. and Mrs. H. Itscovitch, 777 Bertrand Circle, celebrated their eighteenth wedding anniversary on March 1. Their three children are: Bernard, aged sixteen years; Murray, twelve; and Ellen, eight. Mrs. Itscovitch is the former Miss Leah Pasechnick, daughter of Samuel Pasechnick, 5425 Rosedale Avenue. Mr. Itscovitch is the son of Mrs. A. Itscovitch, 5555 St. Urbain Street.

Mrs. Jack Singer, 230 St. Aubin Street, was hostess to about one hundred guests at an open house tea at her home in honour of Miss Florence Sadegursky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Sadegursky, and the fiancee of her son, Earl Singer. The table was adorned with pink and white carnations. The marriage will take place on June 14 at the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, Dr. Solomon Frank, Rabbi, officiating.

Mrs. Louis Schwartz, 1025 Jarry Street West, and her sister, Miss Sheila Greenspan, 8600 Birnam Avenue, and their sister-in-law, Mrs. B. Greenspan, 8217 De L'Epee Avenue, entertained about fifty guests at a luncheon, in honour of the formers' sister, Miss Marilyn Greenspan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaie Greenspan, 8600 Birnam Avenue, and the fiancee of Marvin Wurst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wurst, 4025 Plamondon Avenue. Arrangements of carnations decorated the table. The marriage will take place on April 19, at Beth Aaron Synagogue, Rabbi Myer Schecter, officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gurevitch, 5879 Park Avenue, gave a Chinese supper to celebrate the sixteenth birthday of their daughter, Sally. The hostess was in a two-piece, blue, printed silk dress; with a white hat; and a corsage of red and white roses. Sally wore a blue, silk shantung dress; and a wristlet of pink and white baby roses. Seated at the head table with the above were: Mrs. Louis Gurevitch, her sister-in-law; Mesdames Harry Gurevitch, David Kaufman, David Kahanaky, David Gurevitch, and Max Leibovitch; her aunts. A pink, heart-shaped birthday cake and pink and white carnations trimmed the table.

Mrs. J. Crystal, 8952 Brighton Avenue, was hostess to sixty-five guests in the Regency Room at Morgan's, at a tea in honour of Miss Nancy Applebaum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Applebaum, 2490 Radeaux Street, the fiancee of her son, Leon Crystal. Mrs. Crystal was in a coloured print shantung sheath, cut with a squared neckline and three-quarter-length sleeves; with a white flowered hat; and corsage of white carnations. Mrs. Applebaum wore a beige, nylon, embroidered sheath, with a high neckline and long sleeves; a beige straw hat trimmed in blue; and a corsage of blue carnations. Mrs. Annie Applebaum, Goyer Avenue, grandmother of the bride-elect, was in a beige print dress; with a corsage of white carnations. Miss Applebaum wore a white linen sheath cut with a round neckline forming a bolero effect in back; and short sleeves; with a pink flowered hat; and a wristlet of pink roses. Seated at the head table with the above were: Mrs. H. Raiter, 3841 Arcade Avenue; and Mrs. J. Title, 850 Tait Street, aunts of Mr. Crystal; and Mrs. R. Drotofsky, 4715 Plamondon Avenue, great-aunt of the bride-elect. Spring flowers, with candles, decorated the table. The marriage takes place on June 28, at Young Israel Synagogue, Rabbi Mendel Lowittes officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Chodos, 4869 Hutchison Street, entertained twenty guests at a luncheon at Miss Montreal to celebrate the sixteenth birthday of their daughter, Elka Frances; granddaughter of Mrs. Ida Chodos, 5116 Esplanade Avenue. Mrs. Chodos was in a black sheath; with a white straw hat. Mrs. Ida Chodos wore a navy-blue print dress; and a white straw hat. Elka Frances wore a royal-blue, wool jersey dress, made with a high neckline and long sleeves; and had a wristlet of baby pink roses. Present with the above were: Mesdames Louis Singer, Nat. Nadigel, Israel Nadigel, Isaie Chodos, and Lena Levin, her aunts; Mesdames Fred Marcus, Lionel Victor, Leonard Sculnick, Barnett Buckman, Anna Newman, and Ralph Raifman, her cousins; and Charlotte Weingarten, Esther Mishkin, Peggy Martou, Mona Grosin, and Gloria Lipsky. A pink and white birthday cake decorated with candy rosebuds, and pink and white roses and gladioli were arranged on the table. Mrs. Nathan Mishkin was unable to be present. That evening Mr. and Mrs. Chodos entertained forty guests at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Saul Brookman, 817 Wilder Avenue, celebrated the bar-mitzvah of their son, David Hyman, who was called to the Reading of the Law, at Beth Moishe Synagogue. He is the brother of Miss Sandra Brookman. Kiddush was observed. The following evening Mr. and Mrs. Brookman received three hundred and eighty guests at a dinner dance in Chevra Kadisha-Bnai Jacob Synagogue hall. Mrs. Brookman wore a blue silk gown, with lace and blue beads, made with an off-the-shoulder neckline, cape sleeves, and flared skirt; and a corsage of white orchids. Miss Brookman, wore navy-blue; with a white floral wristlet. Those who lit the candles were: Lewis Ritchie, Michael Senallet, David Cohan, Stanley Zlotnick, Stephen Paskell, Sheldon Brookman, Gary Vinegar, Stephen Nozets, Daniel Wiener, Lorne Abramson, Aaron Sarna, and Seymour Ostranoff. Seated at the head table with the family were: Rabbi and Mrs. J. J. Zlotnick; and M. Stolow, his teacher, and Mrs. Stolow. The bar-mitzvah boy gave a speech. Rabbi J. J. Zlotnick asked a blessing over the challah. A blue and white bar-mitzvah cake and blue, yellow, and white pom-poms decorated the table. Here for the occasion were: Dr. and Mrs. B. Barton, Mr. and Mrs. M. Silverman, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hill, and Mr. and Mrs. E. Freeman, all of Boston, Mass.; and Mr. and Mrs. M. Haberman, of New York.

Purim And Its Customs

BY GEORGE A. BOTSTEIN

Purim, the Feast of Lots, commemorates the day when the Jews, through the intervention of Mordecai and Esther, narrowly escaped being victims of the anti-Semitic plot of Prime Minister Haman to annihilate the Jewish people in the Persian-Median Empire during the reign of King Ahasuerus (Xerxes) 485-464 B.C.E.

The principal traditional customs of the Festival are to give alms to the poor and to exchange gifts between friends and relatives.

The Purim customs are many and very in different countries. The theme of all customs is the expression of indignation against Israel's arch enemy Haman. The licence to make noise in the synagogues when the name of Human is mentioned is therefore of ancient origin. To-day this custom is carried out by rattling the "grager," which is the prerogative of the children. In many mediaeval synagogues it was customary to write the name of Haman on a stone and rub it against another stone so as to erase the name. At times the stone was smashed. Some would write the name of Haman on the soles of the shoes and rub the shoes on the floor to eradicate the name. Others would write it on paper and then erase it at the mention of Haman. This last custom was noticed by a traveller as late as the nineteenth century in the Sephardic Synagogue in London. To this day the Jews of Aden observe this at their homes.

The burning of Haman in effigy is another custom on Purim which expresses the urge to annihilate him, at least symbolically. This custom was noticed by visitors to have been practiced in Caucasia as late as the end of last century. It, too, goes back to Talmudic days. In Gaonic times in Babylonia the burning of Haman in effigy was performed publicly while young men danced joyously around the bonfire. In Persia the children indulge in this sport to this day while shouting "Haman, Haman, the wicked Haman."

During the 14th century this custom found expression in Italy in the ceremony of riding through the streets on horseback with palm-branches in hand, shouting, blowing trumpets and making merry around a puppet of Haman, which was set up on high, and finally burned. In Frankfort it was the custom to make a house of wax with Haman and other figures in it, which was put on the almemar and, as soon as the reader began to read the Megillah, the house with the entire contents was put to flames.

While in our times it is the universal custom to chant the Megillah in Hebrew, we find that in some places during the 16th and 17th centuries the Megillah was not chanted but read like a letter and, at times, in the vernacular. At a very early period it was read in Greek, which the Talmud sanctions. In parts of Spain during the 14th century the Book of Esther was read in Spanish, which invited the criticism of the rigorous pietist Isaac ben Sheshet. To this day the narrative is expounded in Persia in the vernacular.

The custom of masquerading on Purim is said to have originated in Italy during the 15th century; however, it may go back to an earlier period. The opinion that "Purimshpieler" originated as late as the eighteenth century is not quite accurate. In Gaonic times the dramatization of the story of Esther was an established custom among the Jews of the Orient. This definitely implies acting the play by Purim players, who, most likely, impersonated the characters by masquerading. From the 16th and 17th centuries we also have dramatisations of the story of Purim. The novelty of later "Purimshpielers" was that their repertoire was not confined to the drama of Purim.

In imitation of the national festival of Purim, many Jewish communities, as well as individual families, instituted various Purims in commemoration of some rescue from danger which threatened that community or family. These Purims would be observed in a manner similar to the national holiday by reading a scroll which would contain the account of the event commemorated and by feasting and rejoicing. In some instances it would be even more solemn, while in others more merry. Again some of these Purims would be observed also with special prayers and even by keeping stores closed for the day of the observance.

Of the many "Family Purims," we might mention "Purim of Yom-Tob Lipmann Heller," which was established by the rabbi of that name in 1644 to be celebrated by the family on the 1st of Adar. In 1731, David Brandeis, of Jung-Bunzlau, Bohemia, instituted a Purim for his family to be celebrated on the 10th of Adar, in remembrance of his deliverance from a calamity brought on him by slanderers. Rabbi Jonathan b. Jacob of Fulda instituted a Family Purim on the 17th of Tamuz to commemorate his deliverance from a calamity.

This survey would not be complete without mentioning that early in the 19th century, the Christian Armenians also observed a Purim in their churches, where they chanted annually a parody of the Book of Esther. This they observed because of the success of Caxaz Aretom, who becoming Mordecai in the parody (his wife became Esther) succeeded in banishing the Jewish governor of Baghdad — Yehazel-Haman in the parody — to Abdera, Asia Minor, where he was treacherously put to death.

It is also known that to this day a certain Islamic sect, the Turco-Musaulman, observes a Purim at which time they take occasion to rejoice and to recall their indebtedness to Judaism and their belief, according to their prophet Nathan, that God will crown His anointed in the month of Kislev.

A review of the Festival of Purim, as it originated and as it was and is still observed by Jews throughout the world, together with the many Purims of individual communities and families, give us hope that some day we will again celebrate a Purim which will commemorate the annihilation of the dark and sinister forces which have gathered against Israel in our own time, and we will rejoice at the destruction of irrational prejudice and racial hatred.

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MONTREAL MEETINGS

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● JEWISH CONVALESCENT ●

Centre, Esther Rachel Unit: At a general meeting, Mrs. A. Meltzer, president, presided. The minutes were read by Mrs. P. Rosenstein. Mrs. Goldie Segal, 4820 St. Catherine Road, donated wool for several bedspreads, which will be made by Mrs. A. Kelefsky, 8155 De L'Epee Avenue, and donated to the Convalescent Centre. Hostesses for the evening were Mesdames G. Goldman and B. Ruttenberg. Mrs. B. Goldman donated a raffle, won by Mrs. Yetta Bick, who gave a donation. Get-well wishes were extended to Mrs. A. Parness. A meeting will take place on March 25, at 2.00 p.m., at the home of the president, Mrs. A. Meltzer, 4466 Laval Avenue.

● BETH DAVID ●

Beth Yitzchok Kehal Jeshurun Synagogue: Isaac J. Teicher, Rabbi; Services, Friday, at 6:00 p.m.; Saturday morning, at 8:45 a.m. Harry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rubin Agensky, 4529 Park Avenue, will be called to the Torah reading, in celebration of his bar-mitzvah. On Sunday morning, the Men's Club breakfast will begin at 10:00 a.m., following the morning services, at 9:00. A Purim program will be presented, by the Bar Mitzvah boys, group led by Chaim Teicher; and: Allen Dalfen, Samuel Hutman, William Klein, Peter Rossner, Paul Rosenberg and Harvey Waterman. On Monday evening, March 23, Purim services will begin at 6:15 p.m.; and a Congregational Purim celebration, in the Community hall, at 8:00 p.m., with Cantor Joshua Diln, and the choir, direction of Lazare Rosemarin; and a dance group; and Mrs. M. Weissler, accordionist.

● SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE ●

Synagogue, Rabbi, Dr. Solomon Frank: Gordon Michael, son of Mrs. Dorothy Zackon, 5417 Victoria Avenue, and the late M. Zackon, will be called to the Reading of the Torah on March 21. The Purim celebration of the Sisterhood, Men's Club, Young Adult Group on March 24, at 8.30 p.m., will present modern and Chassidic Israeli songs and dances by senior Young Judeans; community singing, dancing, refreshments. Mrs. B. L. Cohen is in charge of programme; Mesdames Jennie Erdrich, Daniel Freedman, Marck Gillick, refreshments; everyone invited. In the dance group are: Misses Ami Fox, Susan Caplan, Barbara Quastel, and Henja Feldman, and Richard Cohen, Yvel Hillel and Eli Klioth; song group, Misses Ami Fox, Henja Feldman, and Eli Klioth; announcer, Henry Schechter; and Ruby Sosnowitz will play the accordion and lead in community singing.

● HADASSAH ●

Chapter meeting Monday afternoon, March 23, at 1:00, is: Shaar Hashomayim, general meeting, dessert luncheon, in the Community Hall of the Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue, with Mrs. E. Zeisler, president, presiding; chapter meeting Monday, at 2:00, is: Queen Esther, Purim card party, at the Zionist Building, with Mrs. A. Wilson, president, as hostess; chapters meeting Monday, at 8:30, are: Eilat, Purim meeting, at the home of Mrs. M. Singerman, 5606 MacDonald Avenue; Syra Spears, Purim party meeting, at the home of Mrs. M. Schachter, 6223 De Vimy Avenue; Young Women's League, at Young Judaea Headquarters, 4658 Decarie Boulevard with Miss Rose Marmur, president, presiding; chapter meeting Monday, at 1:30, is: Tel Hai, at the home of Mrs. B. G. Levine, 649 Victoria Avenue. Rachel Sarah-Yona Chapters Purim dinner-dance, under the distinguished patronage of the Consul General of Israel, Dr. Michael Simon, and Mrs. Simon, is on Saturday evening, March 21, in the Bail Room of the Sheraton-Mount Royal Hotel; proceeds for Youth Aliyah. Reservations with Mrs. David Wimisner, RE. 1-0345 and Mrs. D. Greenfield, RE. 7-5675.

● SHAAR HASHOMAYIM ●

Synagogue, Rabbi Wilfred Shuchat: Robert Edward Stein son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. Stein, 60 Grenville Road, will be called to the Reading of the Torah in celebration of his Bar Mitzvah. At the annual Purim Seudah on March 24, at 6:30 p.m., "The Story Of Purim In Song And Dance" will be presented by the graduating classes of the Hebrew Religious School, direction of Mrs. B. Elman, with Mrs. M. N. Fineberg at the piano. Dr. A. Stilman will be guest speaker at the Oneg Shabbat on March 20, after the service at 8:30 p.m., when Rabbi Shuchat will preside. The thirtieth anniversary of the Junior Congregation was celebrated. John Lechter, president, presided. Hamotzi was recited by Gerald Bronfman. Howard Golden, service supervisor of the Junior Congregation chanted the Birkat Hamazon. Rabbi Shuchat, Yechiel Glustein, for the faculty of the Hebrew-Religious School: Bryant Auerbach, first president of the Junior Congregation, and Mrs. Milton Eliasoph, first secretary. The Rabbi lauded the thirty years of association of Samuel Lerner, principal, as the guide. The choral group sang with Allan Bernfeld, Marvin Goldsmith, David Mendelson, Lionel Packer, Robert Rosenblatt, Charles Shuchat, Dr. Charles Solomon also. Peter Mendell, parnass of the Junior Congregation, made a presentation to Fred Packer, chairman of the School Committee. Dr. Harry C. Ballon, vice-president of Shaar Hashomayim and Martin Lebovitz, vice-president of the Junior Congregation, took part. Carole Goldschleger, vice-president of Junior Congregation presented Mr. Lerner, with a gift. Leon Levin president of Shaar Hashomayim, presented a gift to Mr. Lerner. The latter reminisced on the origins and development of the Junior Congregation. In the Religious School operetta on March 24, will be: King, Douglas Elkin; Queen Esther, Mildred Moroff; Mordecai, Samuel Ballon; Haman, John Block; Queen Vashti, Judith Levine; and Vicki Barkoff; Jacqueline Israel, Evelyn Bloomfield, Carole Prussin, Donna Weinstein, Barbara E. Rubin, Caren Gordon, Mary Kostman, Charlotte Pottel, Harriet Mauer, Marcia Eliasoph, Naomy Aronoff, Carol Goldschleger, Judith Shapiro, Elliot Berzan, and Bernard Henneman, Paul Seigelson; chorus, Paula Barer, Evin Braham, Joyce Levy, Editha Myers, Susan Jacobson, Joan Maron, Gail Cohen, Barbara White, Eric Elkin, Richard Evin, Neil Freedman, Phillip Issenman, Rina Miller, Gloria Rosen, Elisa Herah and Barbara Rubin.

● BETH HAMEDRASH ●

Hagadol, Rabbi Gilbert L. Shoham: A Purim dinner-dance is on Saturday, March 21 at 8:00 p.m.; everybody invited; prizes. For information and reservation, call Re. 3-0623 or Re. 3-2032. President of the Congregation is Ben Milner; Ladies Auxiliary, Mrs. M. Hercovitch; Brotherhood, Hyman Engel; Program chairmen, Mrs. M. Vineberg, Mrs. K. Boltuc; social chairman, Mrs. J. Greenblatt; publicity, M. Vineberg; ticket convener, Mrs. J. Reichman.

● WOMEN'S COMMUNITY CONFERENCE ●

on April 8th, at the Windsor Hotel, will hold a question and answer period, speakers being: Dr. Nathan B. Epstein, research assistant at the Jewish General Hospital; Dr. George Silver, chief of the division of social medicine of Montefiore Hospital, in New York; Miss Phyllis Burns, director of Welfare Services of the Canadian Welfare Council, in Ottawa, Ont. The program will centre around the individual and his relationship to family and community, in a practical approach to a concrete picture of what concerns his security needs. New trends in all three areas will be developed. One hundred and fifty organizations, voluntary and professional, have been invited to send delegates and it is hoped that a maximum of 600 delegates from all over the city will attend. There will be exhibits of the work done by every organization. The chairman of the conference is Mrs. S. Buckman, who first worked through the Pioneer Women's Organization in a young adults group. She was a member of the board and executive of the Women's Auxiliary nursery fund at the Jewish General Hospital. At the Y.M.-Y.W.H.A. she is chairman of the association committee of volunteers. With her are these chairmen: Mesdames Morrie E. Coshof, M. Abrams, I. Gertsman, D. L. Nadler, A. L. Lazar, C. Vosberg, Sybil Lupovich, S. Guttman, A. Levin, J. Ditkofsky, D. Harris, P. Paris, M. Sager, D. Wolff.

● RABBINICAL COLLEGE ●

of Canada, Parents' and Teachers' Association: Annual Purim concert will be held on Wednesday, March 25, at 8.00 a.m., at Chevra Kadisha-Bnai Jacob Synagogue. Cantor G. Barkovits, of Shevet Achim Synagogue, will sing several solos. Conveners are Mesdames A. Posener, M. Covens; co-conveners, Mesdames L. Frank, J. Klein, L. Ansel, J. Honigwax, K. Lerer and J. Kanner.

● TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM ●

Paul Liner, Rabbi: Sabbath Services, Friday evening, March 20, at 8:15. Rabbi Liner will speak on "The World Of Sholom Aleichem". Following the service, the P. T. A. will present in the Social Hall, "Purim In The Home", a playlet, with Stanley Litwin, Harold Shapiro, Naomi Abracen and Jonathan Rosenthall. Last Sabbath, the lights were blessed by Mrs. George Greenspan. Morris Goldberg, Harold H. Goodman, Manuel Mendelsohn, Linwood Pines, Harry Segal, Jonathan Wolfe took part in services. On Saturday morning, March 21, at 11:45, the children of the advanced classes will conduct the Junior Congregation Service and Ritual. They are Norman London, Carole Rocklin, Charles Rosenthall, Carol Rubenstein, Barbara Shuster and Jeffrey Wener. The Religious School Purim party and celebration will take place at 10:00 a.m., on Sunday, March 22. The Purim masquerade will be held for children from Kindergarten through Grade Two. Mrs. Lionel S. Rosenthall is chairman; Mrs. Jack Schneider, vice-president; Mrs. Leo Sedley, festival chairman; Mrs. Sydney Tracy, hospitality chairman; the latter two in charge of refreshments, which will be served by the P. T. A. At 2:30 in the afternoon, the junior and advanced departments of the school will celebrate Purim, in charge of Mrs. Lawrence Brown and Mrs. Saul J. Myers. An Israeli film will be shown and refreshments will be served by the P. T. A. Monday, March 23, at 7.30, the Megillah will be read; refreshments will be served in the social hall, following the service. On Tuesday, March 24, Sisterhood Hebrew classes at 9:30 a.m.; at 1:30, the Sisterhood will hold a dessert luncheon at the Temple, with a discussion led by a trained counsellor from the Mental Hygiene Institute; on building responsibility in children. Mrs. Herbert Steinberg, president of the Sisterhood, will preside.

● ADATH ISRAEL ●

Synagogue: Rabbi Charles Bender: The annual Purim dinner dance and anniversary celebration will be held on Tuesday, March, 24, at 6.30 p.m., in the social halls. Cantor Eugene Goldberger; and an orchestra will participate in the program. Co-chairmen are Alderman S. D. Gameroff, Abe Kornbluth and Mesdames Sam Rabinovitch and Jack Steinberg. At the Men's Club breakfast session on Sunday, March 22, the guest speaker will be Alan Ross, on "Israel-France". Abe Kornbluth is president. The Purim carnival of the school, on Monday, March 23, for children of grades one, two, three and four; and Wednesday, March 25, for senior grades of the day-school, and students of the Hebrew high school, has in charge, these teachers: Mrs. M. Erbstein, Miss Roslyn Malina, David Sheinson and M. A. Alpert. The teachers in charge of a variety show, are Mrs. I. Mattarasso and Miss Miriam Vatkin. At an all-day education conference, on March 29, Rabbi S. K. Mirsky, Professor of the Yeshiva University in New York; Rabbi Bender, Mordecai I. Mendelsohn, educational director; Morris A. Alpert, high school principal; Miss Roslyn Malina, teacher; Leo Glaser, Q.C., on behalf of the parents; and David S. Dubin, honourary treasurer; Joel Sternthal, president, will speak.

MUSIC EXPERT

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were: "World History of the Dance" (1938); "The Rise of Music in the Ancient World East and West" (1943); "The Commonwealth of Art" (1947); "Our Musical Heritage" (1948); and "Rhythm and Tempo" (1953).

Dr. Sachs leaves his wife, Irene; a son, Ernest; and two daughters, Miss Judith Sachs and Mrs. Gabriella Koenigsberg.

MOSCOW

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The newspaper article denounced the spreading of the emigration story in the United States and assailed editors of Arab papers in Lebanon and the United Arab Republic who it said had assisted in the campaign. Unlike the recent broadcast, the Izvestia article did not address itself to the fact of increasing emigration of Jews from Rumania and other Eastern European countries to Israel.

The only reports touching on Jewish emigration that have appeared in Moscow have been isolated accounts to portray the poor conditions that travelers found in Israel. Letters said to have been received from emigrants to Israel have been published from time to time portraying starvation and ill-treatment.

The foreign policy of Israel has been consistently denounced as an offshoot of Western colonialism. Trade between the Soviet Union and Israel has virtually come to a halt, says the New York Times.

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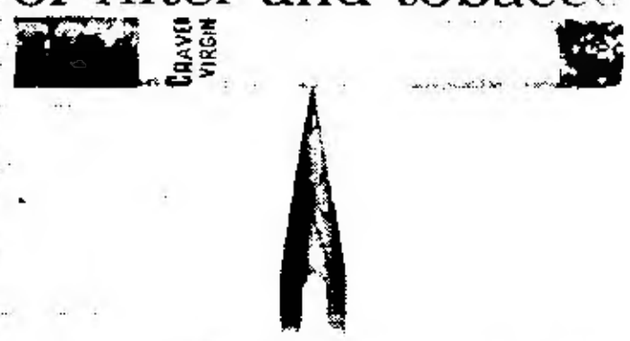

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TORONTO MEETINGS

(*Additional Toronto Meetings on Page Thirteen*)

● **ZAGLEMBIER** ●

Ladies Auxiliary charity tea was held at the Town House, with president, Mrs. H. Szturner, convening. Those on the committee were: Mesdames B. Eisenstein, L. Broder, M. Weingluck, L. Zacks, M. Nudelman, H. Steiberchar and B. Zborowski. Those pouring the beverages were: Mesdames J. Ostro, J. Eisenstein, D. Fox, P. Iscov and S. Fiszel. Proceeds went to United Jewish Appeal Fund. The Auxiliary and the Society held their annual banquet at the Ahavath Achim Synagogue; David Goodman, chairman.

● **CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS** ●

Central Region, campaign leadership conference was held at the Sheraton-Connaught Hotel in Hamilton, Ont. Samuel Bronfman, Lawrence Freiman, and Saul Hayes were there, also Victor Avrunin, of Montreal; John Devor and Hart Wintrob, of Toronto, co-chairmen. Leadership workshops were conducted by Milton Cohen, of London, Ont.; M. Sorfer, of Windsor; Reuben Levy and Frank Rubinstein, of Hamilton. J. D. Geller, of Windsor, presided at luncheon session. The purposes of the conference were to bring togther Ontario Jewish community leaders for reports on the emigration from Eastern Europe to Israel; to discuss responsibilities placed on the communities by it; and how to improve campaign organization and obtain higher giving. The Conference was held under the auspices of the National Fund-Raising Council and the joint fund-raising committee of the Congress and the Zionist Organization.

● **ADATH ISRAEL** ●

Synagogue, Rabbi Erwin Schild: Sisterhood general meeting, in the Synagogue's main banquet hall, was opened by the president, Mrs. R. Silverman. A prayer was read by Mrs. Schild. The minutes were read by the secretary, Mrs. M. Bloom; Mrs. S. Madonik, treasurer; and Mrs. R. Nemers, bazaar chairman, reported. The bazaar is on Wednesday, April 8, from 10:00 a.m., until 12:00 midnight, at the Synagogue. Mrs. A. Weinberg, chairman, child photo contest, for the bazaar, asked for pictures. Harry Silverman reported on the Oren Kodesh, which is the object of the Sisterhood's fund raising, and showed pictures, and sketches of it. An auction was conducted by Harold Vogel. The refreshments were arranged by Mrs. I. Bruner. Mrs. M. Silverman, is chairman, Sisterhood gift shop, which will sell Passover foods.

● **NEW MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL** ●

Volunteer service committee serves in the gift shop, work shop, baby photography, library, flowers, occupational therapy; also in admitting, emergency, communications, out-patients, escorting patients, taking prescriptions to the pharmacy, and in clerical duties; act as guides for groups seeing the hospital; assist in packing and preparing bandages for sterilization, among many other things. Members are: Mesdames G. Cummings, B. Seaton, N. N. Levinne, Miss Marilyn Silver, Mesdames S. S. Berlin, G. Allen, D. Eisen, G. Gordon, D. Shanoff, H. Wagman, S. Seligman, G. Fleishman, H. Shanoff, M. Eisen, G. Ruderfer, H. Stone. Mrs. S. S. Berlin is director; Mrs. N. N. Levinne, chairman.

● **BETH DAVID SYNAGOGUE** ●

Rabbi Albert Pappenheim: The Sisterhood met with Mrs. Louis Golden presiding in the absence of the president, Mrs. Samuel Bockpek, and discussed a nearly-new sale on April 1 and 2. A check for $25 was sent to Moess Chittin Fund of the United Jewish Relief Organization for Passover parcels to be sent overseas and to newly-arrived immigrants in Israel. Those selling one or more raffle books for a drawing to be held in May drew for a prize and Mrs. J. Manishewitz won an orlon cardigan. On March 22, Purim activities begin at 10:00 a.m., with the Religious School concert, and end with a ball, at the Synagogue, at 9:00 p.m. Mrs. Murray Vernon was master of ceremonies for a quiz show, "Queen Esther For A Day". The members drew lots and these winners participated: Mesdames William Gryfe, Robert Colomby, Louis Reider, Stanley Smither, Samuel Kurin. Mrs. Rubin Marks was score-keeper. The winner of the quiz, Mrs. Louis Reider, received a Queen Esther crown, a box of chocolates, and bath towels.

● **BETH AM** ●

Synagogue, Rabbi Shamai Kanter: Sisterhood annual Purim ball will take place on Saturday, March 21, at 9:00 p.m.; proceeds to the Synagogue building fund. The dance convener is Mrs. B. Bainerman; and the president is Mrs. Peter Shour.

● **ROKEAH PHARMACEUTICAL** ●

Association, Ladies Auxiliary: A children's theatre party will be held on Wednesday, April 1, at 2:00 p.m., at Avenue Road and Fairlawn; for tickets call: Mrs. A. Gorlick, ST. 8-8819.

● **SHOMRAI SHABOTH SYNAGOGUE** ●

Rabbi Felder: The Sisterhood has arranged a Purim party for the children of the congregation on March 22, at 3:00 p.m., with movies and entertainment. Mr. and Mrs. M. Solomon are conveners. Mrs. P. Kendal is president.

● **SHAAREI SHOMAYIM** ●

Synagogue, Rabbi Walter S. Wurzburger; Brotherhood Breakfast Club, heard Dr. Maurice Heller, as guest speaker, introduced by Ralph Etigson. Morris Prousky thanked the speaker. The chairman, Daniel Sloven, presided.

● **GRAND ORDER** ●

of Israel Ladies Auxiliary executive committee met at the home of Mrs. B. Moroff, 275 Winnett Avenue. Mrs. L. Sonenberg presided in the absence of vice-president, Mrs. R. Rosen. A Purim tea was at the home of Mrs. L. Sonenberg, 60 Highland Hill, convened by Mrs. B. Melman, assisted by Mesdames J. Brontman, R. Sonenberg, S. Silverberg, J. Freeman, A. Moroff, R. Rosen, B. Albright, A. Berkan, I. Hershberg, A. Goldberg, and A. Swartz. A general meeting was at the Workmen's Circle, with president Mrs. J. Brontman, presiding. A donation was given to a family in need; and three Passover parcels were sent to families in Israel. Congratulations were extended to Mrs. B. Moroff, 275 Winnett Avenue, on the bar-mitzvah of her son, Stanley; and to Mrs. M. Goldhar, 85 DeQuincy Boulevard, on the marriage of her son, Herbert Goldhar, to Miss Zelda Snider, daughter of Cantor and Mrs. Max Snider, 338 Rusholme Road. Refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. M. Goldhar.

● **MIZRACHI WOMEN** ●

Minnie Etlin Chapter meeting was at the home of Mrs. D. Pachter, 25 Duncannon Drive, with president, Mrs. S. Kaminker, presiding. Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. B. Eisen, Mrs. F. Hiltz, and Mrs. S. Kaminker.

● **BETH TZEDEC SYNAGOGUE** ●

Dr. Stuart Rosenberg, Rabbi, who was invited by the European Headquarters of the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Jewish Relief Agencies of Canada, and the United Jewish Appeal, to head an emergency study mission to Vienna to observe the problems created by the mass emigration of Jews from Eastern Europe for five days, will return on March 20. Allan Foster, 7 Alexandra Wood; and Stanley Sobol, 48 Old Forest Hill Road, of the board of governors joined him.

MONTREAL

BIRTHS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Lieberman (nee Isabel Groper, formerly of Montreal), of Saint John, N. B., on February 28, at the Saint John General Hospital, a daughter, Robin Jay; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Lieberman, of Saint John, N. B.; and of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Groper, 89 McNider Avenue; great-granddaughter of B. Jacobson, of Halifax, N.S.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Manny Feldman (nee Shirley Groper), 3275 Goyer Avenue, on March 1, at the Jewish General Hospital, a daughter, Lisa Mae; sister of Elaine and Susan; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Feldman, 5450 St. Lawrence Boulevard; and of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Groper, 89 McNider Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. David Frohlich (nee Gertrude Anderson), 331 McEachran Avenue, on March 6, at the Jewish General Hospital, a daughter, Marilyn Lisa; sister of Allan, Brian, and Gary; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Anderson, 6180 Mountain Sights Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Abe H. Jacobson (nee Toby Malinsky), 5706 Eldridge Avenue, on February 6, at the Jewish General Hospital, a son, Farrell Mark; brother of Dale Gerda, aged ten years; and Richard Peter, five; grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Malinsky, of New York; and of the late Mr. and Mrs. Max Jacobson, of Montreal. Godparents are Morris Jacobson, 930 Bertrand Street, uncle; and Mrs. Louis B. Hoffman, 4666 La Peltrie Street, formerly of New York, aunt. Jack Itskowits, of New York, uncle, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Miller (nee Queenie Rinzler, formerly of Montreal), of Rochester, N.Y., on February 28, at the Hyland Hospital, a daughter, Karen Lee; sister of Joyce, aged three and one-half years; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Miller, 2800 Darlington Place.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Novack (nee Rose Belfer), 4640 Dupuis Avenue, on February 16, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, a daughter, Sharon Susan; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Belfer, 4859 Jeanne Mance Street; and of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Novack, 2247 Maplewood Avenue; great-granddaughter of Mrs. R. Budner, of Montreal.

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. Murry Zuckerman (nee Rayzella Gelber, formerly of Montreal, Que.), 1840 Bathurst Street, Toronto, Ont., on February 24, at the Mount Sinai Hospital, there, a daughter, Lynda, sister of Alan, aged one year; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Gelber, 740 Lexington Avenue; and of Mrs. Rebecca Zuckerman, of New York, and the late Charles Zuckerman.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Younger (nee Doris Woshinsky, formerly of Montreal), of Hawkesbury, Ont., on February 27, at the Doctor Smith's Clinic, there, a son, Gary; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Woshinsky, 8320 Birnam Avenue, Montreal.

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BAR-MITZVAHS

William, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gershon Rubin, 6210 Van Horne Avenue, will be called to the Reading of the Law, in celebration of his bar-mitzvah, on March 21, at Chevra Kadisha-Bnai Jacob Synagogue. He is the brother of Paula and Charles, twins, aged eight and one-half years. Kiddush will be observed. A dinner dance in the Synagogue hall will take place that evening.

Gordon Michael, son of Mrs. Dorothy Zackon, 5417 Victoria Avenue, and the late Myer Zackon, will be called to the Reading of the Law, in celebration of his bar-mitzvah on March 21, at the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue. He is the brother of Howard Murray Zackon, aged eighteen years. Kiddush and luncheon will follow the services in the Synagogue hall.

Harry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rubin Agensky, 4529 Park Avenue, will be called to the Reading of the Law in celebration of his bar-mitzvah on March 21, at the Beth David Yitzchok-Kehal Jeshurun Synagogue. He is the brother of Noah Agensky, aged twenty-one years; and Sylvia, seventeen; grandson of Usher Agensky, of Montreal. Kiddush will be observed and a dinner-dance will take place the following evening.

Allan Sheldon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mendel Levine, 4869 St. Urbain Street, will be called to the Reading of the Law in celebration of his bar-mitzvah on March 28, at the Nusach Haori Synagogue. He is the brother of Irving Collin, aged fifteen and one-half years; grandson of Nathan Perzow, 4869 St. Urbain Street, formerly of Los Angeles, Calif., and of the late Mrs. Sarah Perzow; and of the late Mr. and Mrs. I. Levine. Kiddush will be observed and a dinner-dance will take place the following evening.

Leonard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Nirenberg, 1918 North Avenue, was called to the Reading of the Law, in celebration of his bar-mitzvah, at Young Israel Synagogue. He is the brother of Annette, aged nine years; and Rena Toby, six and one-half; grandson of Mrs. Leah Engelberg, 3185 Van Horne Avenue, and the late Leo Engelberg; and of the late Mr. and Mrs. Leib Nirenberg, of Brest, Poland. Kiddush was observed.

David Hyman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Saul Brookman, 817 Wilder Avenue, was called to the Reading of the Law, in celebration of his bar-mitzvah, at Beth Moishe Synagogue. He is the brother of Miss Sandra Brookman; grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. M. Margolese; and of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Brookman, all of Montreal. Kiddush was observed.

APPROACHING MARRIAGES

The approaching marriage of Miss Sylvia Fish, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fish, 56 Bagg Avenue, to Larry (Leo) Glazer, son of Mrs. Tillie Glazer, 3340 Goyer Avenue, and the late Theadore Glazer, will take place on March 22, at Beth Aaron Synagogue, Rabbi Myer Schecter officiating.

The approaching marriage of Miss Rita Smith, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Smith, of Montreal, to Joel Barg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Barg, 7731 Birnam Avenue, takes place on April 5, at Shomrim Laboker-Beth Yehuda and Shaare Tefillah Synagogue, Dr. C. N. Denburg, Rabbi, officiating.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Mendelovitch, 5406 Hutchison Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Sheila Mendelovitch, to Abraham Lerner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lerner, 4892 Mackenzie Avenue. The marriage will take place on December 27, at Beth David-Beth Yitzchok-Kehal Jeshurun Synagogue, Rabbi I. J. Teicher officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Torem, of Toronto, Ont., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Helen Torem, to Jerry Bondar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bondar, 763 Bloomfield Avenue.

Mr and Mrs. L. Harry Litvack, 5567 Randall Avenue, announce the engagement of daughter, Miss Sharon Lynn Litvack, to Norman Copoloff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Copoloff, 774 Wilson Avenue.

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The walls of the ghetto three and four centuries ago were high and within them all was cramped and mean. Yet, periodically the troubled lives of its inhabitants were purged by a great cathartic of laughter and jollity. Simchas Torah and Chanukah and Purim annually brought with them joy and gladness and relief from care.

Of the three festivals, Purim was particularly dedicated to mirth. The role which the Fool's Carnival played in the mediaeval Christian world, was filled in the universe of the mediaeval Jew by the fourteenth of Adar. For on Purim the Jew was free — free from inhibitions, free from the general severity of Jewish life, free to shout, to dance, to tipple and to masquerade. More than that, these actions were almost specifically enjoined upon him. "On Purim," the Rabbis said, "one should drink so much that he will not be able to recognise the error in saying: 'Blessed be Haman and cursed be Mordecai.'" It was good doctrine, which was often cheerfully obeyed.

It was above all, however, in public celebration that the spirit of the day was expressed. Since, as the popular saying had it, "Purim is no more a holiday than kadachas is an ailment," there were no religious restrictions attaching to the day.

The crowd would gather in the narrow streets of the ghetto to select the Purim-king, some clever and sharp-tongued individual who could serve as master of the revels. In the tradition of the Christian carnival king, the King of Fools, he and his followers spared no one in their pranks and in their jests. The rabbis and the community leaders, the prayers, and the Talmud all served equally as fodder for their wit.

In the throng that followed at their heels there were many in masquerade — men attired as women and women as men. The costume was lent all the more savour by the fact that it was ordinarily forbidden by the law, and by the probability that it irked the staid greybeards who stood on the sidelines looking down their noses in disapproval. The climax of the festival was yet to come, however. It was heralded by the joyous burning of Haman in effigy and marked finally by the presentation of a drama glorifying the day.

In point of interest and significance this, the Purim-spiel, was one of the most vital features of Purim, for it was the undoubted progenitor of the Jewish drama. Moreover, it is the guilty and shame-faced grandsire of the host of holiday plays which periodically fill school-stages with "Spirits of Purim" and "Spirits of Pesach."

It is strange indeed that the Jews, who as a people manifested a rare literary talent for a period of several thousand years, developed a dramatic form only at the conclusion of the seventeenth century. It is true that there are some who claim to see in the Song of Songs and the Book of Job evidences of dramatic forms, yet that is by no means certain, nor even probable. Unquestionably the post-Biblical period manifests no traces of that art until the end of the seventeenth century.

The reason may well be found in the fact that while the Jews early became acquainted with the drama in its later Greek and Roman forms, they frequently found it in association with immortality, idolatry, and irreverence. The aversion to the theatre that resulted was expressed throughout Talmudic and later Rabbinic literature.

In fact, there is a passage in the Jerusalem Talmud offering thanks to the Lord that "Thou hast placed my portion among those who sit in the House of Learning . . . and didst not cast my lot among those who frequent theatres and circuses. . . . I wait and they wait. I to inherit paradise; they the pit of destruction." Sixteen centuries of European life, however, effected some change in the Jewish attitude towards the theatre and finally led to a Jewish dramatic literature.

As is the case with all folk literature, the immediate origins of the Purim-spiel are satisfyingly mysterious. They may perhaps ultimately be traced to the Spielmanner — those actor-minstrels who wandered through Germany in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries, affording amusement for a price.

Since Jews were equally partial to amusement, there soon came into being a group of Jewish professional entertainers who were known by the rather uncomplimentary name of "Narren" (fools). At a later date, due either to their increased strength or to the improvement in the level of the entertainment they afforded, they came to be known as "Badhanim" (men who amuse). Their media throughout their long history, which extends into the last century, were songs and impersonations, parodies and jests; their language was Judaeo-German.

It was some centuries before the oral entertainment of the Badhanim was supplemented by set plays which were printed and circulated far and wide and acted over and over again. But, by the end of the seventeenth century plays built around Biblical themes, and particularly about that of the Megillah, had begun to appear in profusion. One of the most famous of them was the Ahasuerus-spiel which was acted in Frankfort in 1708. It was a notable burlesque of the Purim story, done in a parody vein and rounded out with questionable and censurable jests. It immediately invoked the wrath of the elders of the Frankfort community who banned it and condemned it to be burned. Despite official disapproval, or perhaps because of it, the play continued to enjoy a wide popularity among Jewish communities and it was re-enacted time and again. Moreover, it sold a considerable number of printed copies.

The success of the Ahasuerus-spiel was the cue for a host of other plays to be written upon the same theme. Meanwhile, however, some enterprising spirits were discovering the dramatic possibilities of other sections of the Bible. In 1711 "David and Goliath" enjoyed its first presentation in the city of Frankfort. It was immediately popular, but, anomalously enough, that was responsible for its very short run. So great were the crowds, that the police, acting for the public safety, closed it at the end of a few days.

Like most of the Purim plays it, too, aspired to the comic and therefore introduced a "gag-man" into the script. He and his jests attained a vast popularity, but alas, his reign was short-lived. Two years later a character named Pickleherring was introduced to the Jewish public in a play called "The Sale of Joseph" and he immediately arrogated to himself the position of the leading comic character in the cycle of Purim plays.

So far as literary quality went the Purim plays were distinctly uneven and the acting very probably was quite poor. Since the theatrical season was limited to a few days in the year, there was little room for a group of professional actors. However, there must have been several semi-professional groups, for we know that some plays were presented by the same casts in several different cities. Moreover, we know that it was often customary to make a collection at the end of the performance. Indeed, one drama added to the miracles connected with Purim by restoring the Haman of the play to life so that he might lead in the plea for donations. The amateur theatre was probably represented during this period by the students of the yashivoth, who were the first to present such classics as "The Sale of Joseph" and "Akta Esther."

The Purim-spiel is now a thing of the past. In common with

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Left, Harry Field, 630 Abbott Street, Montreal; Lee Grossman, 4729 Maplewood Avenue; and Benjamin Waldman, 5985 Darlington Avenue, are associate chairmen of the Businessmen's Division of the Fiftieth Anniversary Committee of the Golden Jubilee Testimonial Dinner of the Adath Jeshurun Hadrath Kodesh Congregation, which takes place on Tuesday, April 7, at Chevra Ezdithi-Bnai Jacob Synagogue.

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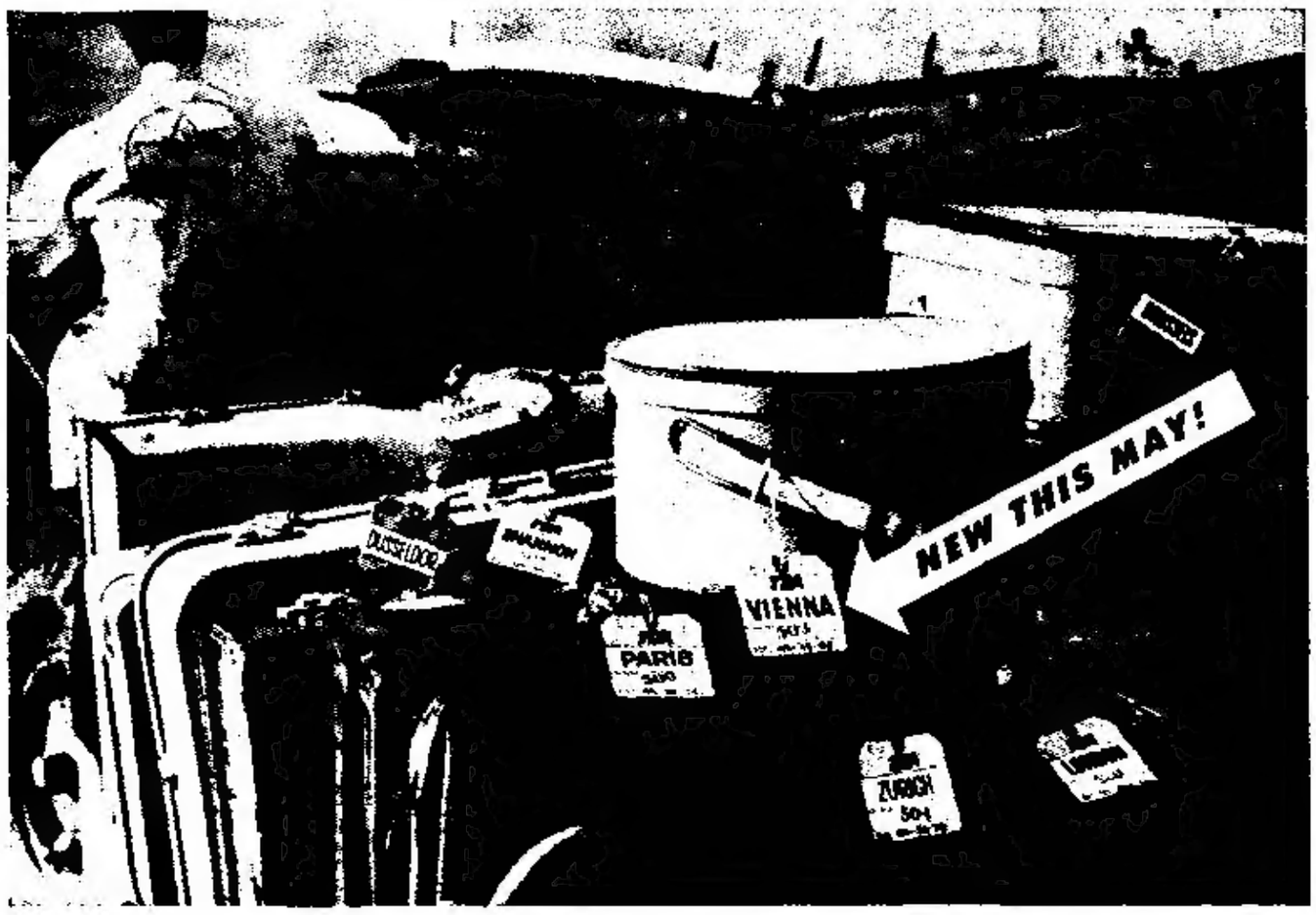

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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Delson (nee Eleanor Caplovitch), 1555 Edward Laurin, on February 26, at the Jewish General Hospital, a son, Ian Mark; brother of Robert, aged sixteen years; and Ann, two; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Caplovitch, 3500 St. Kevin Avenue. Godparents are Conrad Caplovitch, uncle; and Mrs. Jack Ghilsig, 5674 Clark Street. S. Caplovitch, grandfather, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Freedman (nee Natalie Naimer, formerly of Montreal), of Saint John, N. B., on February 25, at the Saint John General Hospital, a son, Alan Michael; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Naimer, 330 Dufferin Road; and of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Freedman, of Saint John, N. B.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Eugen Schwartz (nee Kathy Izso), 3360 Barclay Avenue, on February 23, at the Jewish General Hospital, a son, Ronnie Joel; brother of Marilyn, aged eight years. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. Max Shein, 5569 Glencrest Avenue, uncle and aunt. Ferdinand Lichtig, 2040 Barclay Avenue, held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Eidelman (nee Bernice Slotnick), 4615 Plamondon Avenue, on February 23, at the Jewish General Hospital, a son, Franklin Jeffrey; brother of David Howard, aged three and one-half years; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip A. Slotnick, 5041 St. Urbain Street; and of Mrs. Fannie Eidelman, 633 Bloomfield Avenue; great-grandson of Mrs. G. Bly, of Montreal.

MARRIAGES

SEGAL-SINSOFSKY

The marriage of Miss Esther Sinsofsky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Sinsofsky, 4740 Linton Avenue, to Leon Segal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Segal, 5271 Hutchison Street, was solemnized at Shomrim Laboker-Beth Yehuda Synagogue, at six o'clock, on Sunday, March 1. Dr. C. N. Denburg, Rabbi, officiated, assisted by Cantor Nathan Krol. The bride was given in marriage by her father. She was gowned in white duchess satin and Chantilly lace, cut with a tight-fitted, lace bodice; scooped neckline; long, pointed sleeves; and full, bouffant, satin skirt with a cathedral train. Her three-quarter-length veil of tulle illusion edged with seed-pearl-beads and rosebuds, was draped to a Juliet cap re-embroidered with seed-pearl-beads, and she carried a white prayer book adorned with white orchids, stephanotis and white satin streamers. Mrs. Boris Edelman, as matron of honour, was in a gown of American Beauty red velvet; with a feathered bandeau; and a cascade of red roses. Myer Sinsofsky, brother of the bride, was best man. The ushers were: Arnold Segal, Sheldon Segal, Oscar Bennett, Gerald Green, Irving Regent, Boris Edelman, Joseph Lerner, and Larry Frankel. Jerry Sinsofsky and Allan Segal were junior ushers. Standards of pink and white chrysanthemums, and gladioli and greenery decorated the Synagogue and hall. Mrs. Sinsofsky, mother of the bride, wore a gown of royal-blue, appliqued lace embroidered with matching nylon organza which had a wide, panelled back effect. Her hat matched it. Mrs. Segal, mother of the groom, gowned in silver-grey georgette, with accordion-pleated skirt, had a hat of matching material. Their corsages were of pink orchids. Mr. and Mrs. Leon Segal spent their wedding trip at the Nevele Country Club, in Ellenville, N. Y., and New York. Here for the wedding were: Mrs. David Rahn, Mr. and Mrs. Myer Greenberg, Jack Engel, and Nat Engel, all of New York; Mrs. Sophie Suffrin, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Marcus, of Ottawa, Ont.

MARON-POLICOFF

The marriage of Miss Karenina Policoff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Policoff, 4444 Harvard Avenue, to Kenneth Maron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaie Maron, 5890 Trans Island Avenue, took place at Shaare Zion Synagogue, on Sunday, February 15, at half-past five o'clock. Rabbi Maurice S. Cohen officiated, assisted by Cantor Solomon Gisser and Cantor Samuel Ambaucher. The bride was given in marriage by her father. She was gowned in white peau de soie, cut with fitted bodice; portrait neckline, outlined in lace petals; long sleeves; and full bouffant skirt, caught up in back in a double pouff train. Her chapel-length veil of tulle illusion was combined with a tiara of seed-pearl-beads, and she carried a white heirloom prayer book adorned with orchids and white stephanotis. Miss Susan Benjamin, as maid of honour, wore a salmon-pink, chiffon gown, made with a fitted bodice, the neckline outlined with matching peau de soie; and full bouffant skirt. Her tiara was of matching peau de soie, and she carried a cascade of white feathered carnations. Miss Davida Policoff, sister of the bride, as junior bridesmaid, wore pale pink chiffon, made with fitted bodice and bouffant skirt; and had a tiara of matching peau de soie, and carried a Colonial bouquet of pink, blue, and white feathered carnations. William Reiter was best man. The ushers were: L. Neften, L. Waxman, F. Peters, M. Simon, I. Solomon, K. Shuster, A. Goldstein, and P. Soiffer. Standards of pink, white, and blue gladioli and carnations decorated the Synagogue and hall. Mrs. Policoff, mother of the bride, wore a long sheath gown of blue Alencon lace, made with an Empire top of chiffon, and chiffon panels at the back. Her hat was of blue lace. Mrs. Maron, mother of the groom, was gowned in sky-blue lace and peau de soie; and had a hat of matching peau de soie, appliqued with lace. Their flowers were sprays of white orchids pinned to their purses. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Maron spent their wedding trip at the Versailles Hotel, in Miami Beach, Florida, the bride travelling in a turquoise-blue cashmere suit. Here for the marriage were: M. Seltzer, of Cambria Height, N.Y.; and Mr. and Mrs. A. Seltzer, of Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn, N.Y., uncles and aunt of the groom.

ZINMAN-BERNSTEIN

The marriage of Miss Reecha Bernstein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Bernstein, 837 Wiseman Avenue, to Samuel Zinman, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Zinman, 6285 Trans Island Avenue, was solemnized at Chevra Kadisha-Bnai Jacob Synagogue, at six o'clock, on Sunday, December 7, 1958. Rabbi David Roth officiated, assisted by Cantor J. Rosenzweig. The bride was given in marriage by her father. She was gowned in white peau de soie and lace, cut with a fitted bodice; scooped neckline; long, pointed sleeves; and a full bouffant skirt, which had a chapel train. Her three-quarter-length veil of tulle illusion was draped to a crown of matching lace, re-embroidered with seed-pearl-beads, and she carried a white prayer book adorned with white orchids and white satin streamers. Miss Estelle Jacqueline Bernstein, sister of the bride, as maid of honour, wore a blue chiffon gown, made with a scooped neckline and balloon-style skirt. Her tiara was of rhinestones and she carried a cascade bouquet of blue and white carnations. Janice Gertsman, niece of the bride; and Barbara Zinman, niece of the groom, as junior bridesmaids, were dressed alike in blue organdy gowns, with bandeaux of baby blue pom-poms, and carried nosegays of similar flowers. Maurice Zinman, brother of the groom, was best man. The ushers were: Jack Goldberg, Joseph Rosenberg, Zev Segal, Joel Merling, S. Smith, Ray Lajeunesse, Bram Scholovitz, and Simon Lurie. Standards of blue and white carnations and gladioli decorated the Synagogue and hall. Mrs. Bernstein, mother of the bride, wore a blue lace and chiffon gown, with white satin hat. Mrs. Zinman, mother of the groom, was in a blue lace and satin gown, with a headdress to match. Their corsages were of mauve orchids. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Zinman, spent their wedding trip at the Nevele Country Club, in Ellenville, N. Y., and New York, the bride travelling in a blue suit. They have taken up residence at 8400 Linton Avenue. Here for the marriage were: Mrs. L. Abram, of Long Beach, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. M. Kanzer, of Fayetteville, North Carolina; Mr. and Mrs. B. Rodgers, and Mrs. R. Stein, all of New York.

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ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Dickler, 65 Langholme Drive, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Lynda Dickler, to Gerald Shulman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shulman, 1998 Bathurst Street.

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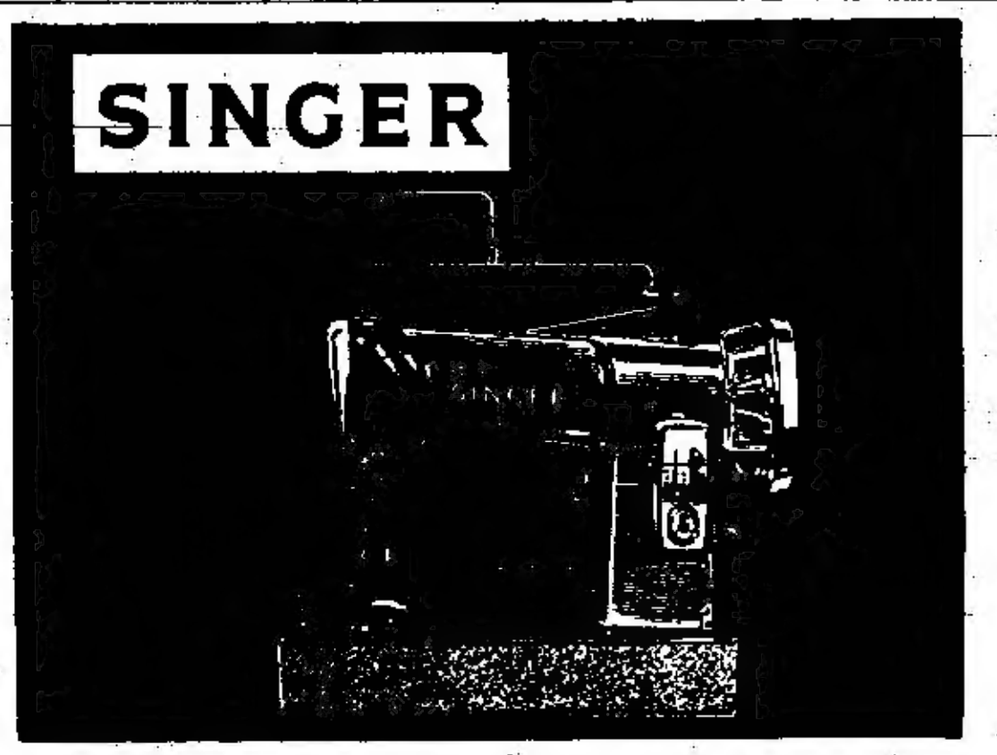

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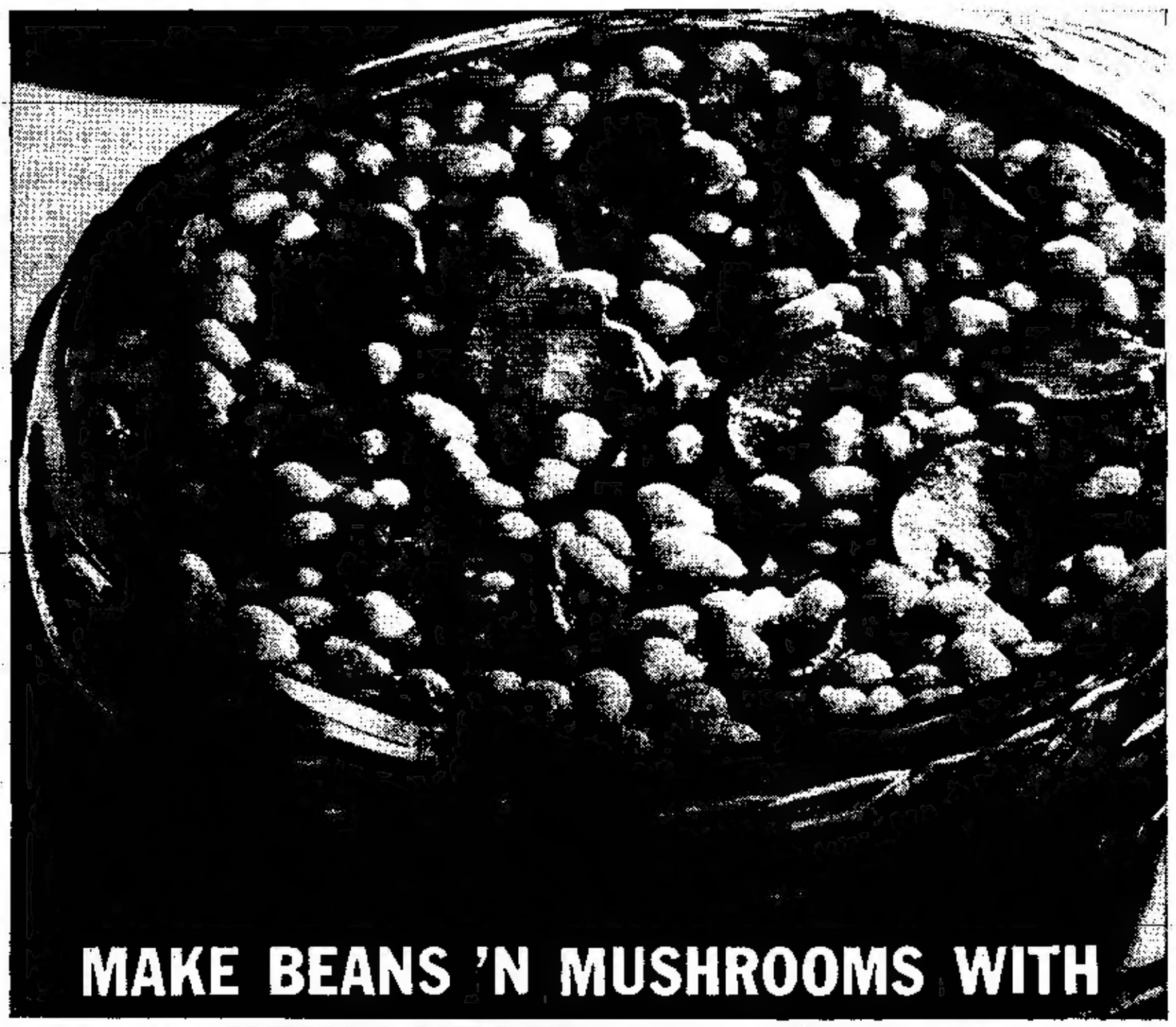
Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence S. Gandall (nee Judith Schwartz), 4024 Lacombe Avenue, on February 26, at the Jewish General Hospital, a son, Allan Norman; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gandall, 5819 Palmer Avenue; of Mrs. Shirley Schwartz, 4024 Lacombe Avenue, and of Dr. Louis Schwartz, of Senneville, Que.; great-grandson of Mrs. Minnie Yaphe; and of Mrs. Sarah Stein, both of Montreal. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. Abe Gandelman, 2020 Norman Street. Dr. Schwartz held the baby during the ceremony.

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. David L. Wayne (nee Zelda Morls, formerly of Montreal), of Lethbridge, Alberta, on March 1, at the Municipal Hospital, a son, Stephen Morris; brother of Edith Ina, and Barbara Phyllis; grandson of Mrs. Sarah Morls, 4885 Jean Brillant Avenue, Montreal; and of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wayne, of Windsor, Ont.; great-grandson of Mrs. Esther Karpman, of Montreal.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Epstein (nee Doris Strub), 4750 Plamondon Avenue, on March 2, at the Jewish General Hospital, a son, Michael Bruce; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Epstein, 6825 Mountain Sights Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. I. Strub, 79 Melrose Avenue, South, Hamilton, Ont.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. William Dyer (nee Shirley Korenberg), 692 Caven Circle, on March 1, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, a son, Douglas Laird; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. Dyer, 95 St. Louis Avenue, Dorval; and of Mr. and Mrs. H. Korenberg, 669 St. Roch Street.



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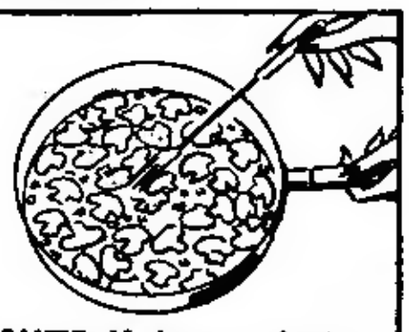

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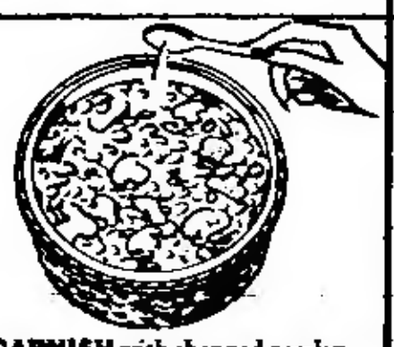

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Syrup

one-half cup honey
one-quarter cup sugar

Bring to boil in shallow pan. Drop the baked teiglach into the honey mixture. Add one teaspoon ginger and one cup chopped walnuts. Mix thoroughly. Set pan in oven, at 350 degrees, and bake until the honey mixture has all been absorbed, stirring frequently. Turn out on a wet board. Pile two inches high and sprinkle with coconut. When cool, cut in wedges.

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Correction: Sponge Cake recipe from Mrs. Max Pinchuk, 4714 La Peltrie Street, Montreal, in issue of March 13: Beat six egg yolks and add to mixture after adding the lemon.

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The Festival of Purim commences on Monday Evening, March 23.

TORONTO

BIRTHS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Max Snider (nee Annette Wronzberg), 115 Major Street, on March 4, at Women's College Hospital, a daughter, Cheryl Patricia; first granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Snider, 40 Baldwin Street; tenth grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. S. Wronzberg, 155 Major Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Cass (nee Jennie Rotman), 11 Baintree Street East, on Wednesday, March 11, at New Mount Sinai Hospital, a daughter, Ellen Fern, sister of Steven, and Karen; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Manny Rotman, 15 Gardiner Road; and of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cass, 103 Braemar Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Marcus (nee Bernice Safer), 55 Danby Avenue, on January 10, at New Mount Sinai Hospital, a daughter, Karen Diane; sister of Allan, aged three years; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Marcus, 59 Atlas Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. D. Safer, 15 Alexis Boulevard; great-granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Agar, 202 Brunswick Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Aron Shostack (nee Ruth Steinberg), 144 Viewmount Avenue, on March 3, at New Mount Sinai Hospital, a daughter, Naomi Beth; sister of Hannah, aged seven years; and Judith, three; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Steinberg, 4 Lakeview Avenue; and of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Shostack.

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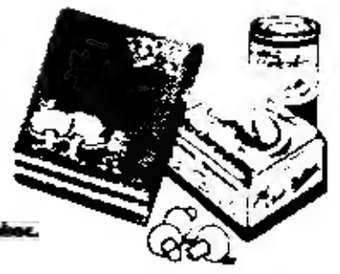

MONTREAL MEETINGS

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● BNAI BRITH ●

Allan Murray, to be aged seven years in May, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wax, 5823 Plamondon Avenue, won first prize for the second year in a row, in the Bnai Brith Girls Chapter Aristocrats beautiful child contest. The president is Miss Marsha Ruckenstein; adviser, Mrs. I. Elman. Allan is the brother of Brenda Rochelle, aged four years; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Max Wax, 4830 Barclay Avenue; and of Jack Kabelnick, 5823 Plamondon Avenue, and the late Mrs. Bessie Karbelnick. Arlene Shelley, aged three years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abe Flower, 7906 Westbrooke Road, came second in the contest. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Berg, 7781 Birnam Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Flower, 3485 Ellendale Avenue.

● BNAI BRITH WOMEN ●

Eleven Montreal chapters, with over 800 members and guests attending, will hold their seventh annual donor dinner on March 25, at Chevra Kadisha-Bnai Jacob Synagogue. Mrs. Arthur Seber, of New York, president of District One, will be guest speaker. Short skits based on the writing of Sholom Aleichem, and songs and readings will be given, half in Yiddish, half in English by Chayele Grober and company. Mrs. M. S. Bailey, budget chairman and co-ordinator of the dinner, has as committee: Mesdames I. Eklova, chairman of dinner; A. Grintuch, D. Wolff, J. Rose. The 1959 work book will be presented to members attending the dinner. Mrs. S. Frank is editor. Mrs. H. J. Freedman is chairman of this undertaking of the Montreal chapters. Chapters and presidents in the dinner are: Mesdames M. Felsher, Montreal 247; D. Lecker, Laurentian 520; M. Kravitz, Julius Bendit 658; S. Rappaport, Montreal Menorah, 717; D. Felberg, Snowdon, 744; J. Richman, Shalom, 824; L. Lipes, Blue Star, 825; A. Deskin, Lower Canada, 947; R. Vineberg, St. Laurent, 983; L. Simmerman, Concordia, 995; Miss Hannah Deutch, Cum Laude, 548.

● HOSPITAL OF HOPE ●

Unit meeting on March 23, at 1:00 p.m., is: Baker-Kolber, luncheon, at the home of Mrs. L. Rapoport, 1223 Bernard Avenue West. At 8:00 p.m. are: Esther Caplan, at the home of Mrs. F. Shulman, 5873 Decelles Avenue; J. Bercovitch, at the home of Mrs. A. Pinchuk, 4650 St. Kevin Avenue; Yoisef and Chasie Pinsky, at the home of Mrs. A. Lovin, 6032 Borden Avenue; Jack Jacobson, at the home of Mrs. N. Jacobson, 5868 Brodeur Avenue. Unit meeting on March 24, at 2:00 p.m., is: Brian Tanenbaum, at the home of Mrs. J. Kogan, 394 St. Catherine Road. At 8:00 p.m. are: Chaim Reuben Junior, at the home of Mrs. J. Polansky, 6382 Westbury Avenue; Brana Segal, at the home of Mrs. E. Rabow, 6727 Davis Avenue. Unit meeting on March 26, at 2:00 p.m., is: I. J. Borrin, at the home of Mrs. M. Machlovitch, 3235 Linton Avenue. At 8:00 p.m. is: Hesha Berson and Rose Moss at the home of Mrs. J. Gold, 1080 Lajoie Avenue. Ethel and Max Rostrogovitch Unit met at the home of Mrs. Anne Workman, 5797 Plantagenet Avenue.

● MIZRACHI WOMEN ●

Chapter meetings were: Schlomoh and Mary Dalfen, at the home of Mrs. J. Hutman, 52 Nelson Avenue; Bar-Ilan, at the home of Mrs. N. Brender, 973 Hartland Avenue, with Mrs. H. Cohen giving a book review; Emunah, at the home of Mrs. H. Schwartz, 5320 O'Bryan Avenue; Schlomoh Avigdor Lieff, at the home of Mrs. M. Herzig, 861 Dollard Avenue; Rishonot, at the home of Mrs. H. Weigensburg, 5462 Trans Island Avenue; Robr-Soloway, at the home of Mrs. S. Sonin, 4617 Kensington Avenue; Shoshana, at the home of Mrs. H. Faust, 2137 Bedford Road; Young Women's, at the home of Mrs. E. Kulcsar, 3250 Ridgewood Avenue. On March 24, at 8.00 p.m., Sally Finkelstein Chapter will meet at the home of Mrs. N. Singer, 4608 Decarie Boulevard. On March 28, at 8.30 p.m., the organization Purim celebration dance takes place at Chevra Kadisha Synagogue, with Mrs. J. J. Eltes, Council president, as chairman. Ticket conveners are Mesdames W. Chananie, E. Stupp, H. Cohen, I. Rappoport; programme chairman, Mrs. A. Garmaise; Mesdames A. Steinlauf, B. Goldstein, J. Siminovitch, Miss Golda Wigdor, conveners; refreshments committee: Mesdames S. Cohen, M. Herzig, J. Hutman, I. Rappoport, J. Richler, M. Wigdor; H. Filler, drinks; Mesdames J. J. Fromm, F. S. Heuman, B. Pollack, Miss Nelly Lowy, decorations; conveners for donors and sponsors, Mrs. M. Herzig, Mrs. J. Filler. On March 31, at 8.00 p.m., Aviv, Bar-Ilan, Emunah, Rishonot, Sharon, Shoshana Chapters will meet at Young Israel Synagogue. Mrs. C. N. Denburg, will give a musical programme and talk on "Jewish Music Through The Ages".

● JEWISH CONVALESCENT ●

Home of Montreal, Inc., met at 287 Villeneuve Street West. Mesdames F. Baker, S. Kipnis, R. Cohen took part. Get-well wishes were extended to Mrs. B. Caplan, vice-president. Mrs. B. Miller, was the guest of Mrs. A. Payne. The raffle was won by Mrs. R. Rosenberg. Present were: Mrs. J. Goldwasser, president and Mr. Goldwasser; Mr. and Mrs. H. Etcovitch, Mesdames M. Rosensweig, I. Rimoin, A. Kalichman, R. Rosenberg, S. Kipnis, F. Baker, R. Cohen, B. Miller, A. Payne, I. Etcovitch, D. Burshatein, I. Maron, A. Ballis, S. Waxman, N. Kastner, E. Nadler. Mrs. N. Kastner, hostess, was thanked by Mrs. S. Waxman.

● TEMPLE EMANU-EL ●

Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi: On March 20, at 8.15 p.m., sermon, "For Such A Time As This." A ritual will be observed for Purim. Oneg Shabbat and reception by the Young Married. March 21 at 11.30 a.m., sermonette, "The Sabbath Of Remembrance". On March 22, at 2.45 p.m., prizes will be given for costumes. The School will select Queen Esthers. Committee is: Reuben Ginsberg, Arthur Benjamin, Miss Stephanie Stern, Robert Davis, Yehuda Friedman. The annual father and son banquet of the Brotherhood is on March 25, at 6.30 p.m. Dean Kerner and his son, Paul, will present a skit; gifts for all. For reservations call Harry Engels, RAymond 9-6231. The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Horn, 3961 Kindersley Place, will be named Elaine Sandra. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kruger, 5120 Mariette Avenue, will be named Mark Steven. The name of Phillip Kaufman and the name of Harold Kaufman will be formally inscribed on the memorial tablet. They were the sons of Mrs. M. J. Kaufman, of Amherst, N. S.

● KEREN HATARBUT ●

Memorial meeting for Zalman Schneiur, one of the greatest Hebrew poets and authors, who died in New York, will hear Dr. Moshe Feinstein, educator, poet, and author, of New York, speak in Hebrew on "The Life And Creative Genius Of Zalman Schneiur". Mrs. C. N. Danburg will recite from Schneiur's poetry; and Baruch Margulis, a leader of the Hebrew Youth Movement, will read excerpts from one of his essays. Dr. I. Benjamin will be chairman; on March 31, at Adath Israel Synagogue, at 8:30 p.m. D. Finestone, national secretary of Keren Hatarbut, will thank the speaker. All who understand Hebrew are welcome.

● SHOMRIM LABOKER-BETH YEHUDAH ●

And Shaare Tefillah, Dr. Chaim N. Denburg, Rabbi: Friday services, 5.55 p.m.; Saturday, 8.45 a.m. Purim social of the Ladies Auxiliary and the Sisterhood is on March 22; dancing, entertainment, refreshments. Information and reservations with conveners: Mrs. Louis (Frances) Ruthen, RE. 3-9260; Mrs. Hyman (Lucy) Baum, Re. 8-2639; Synagogue office, RE. 8-0462. The Purim party for the children, on March 22, after services at 8.30 a.m., is sponsored by the Men's Club, president, Morris Lann. The program chairman is Irving Bellman. Films supplied by Saul Gordon will be shown; Purim songs by the Junior Congregation choir led by Cantor N. Kroll. Friends invited to the Father-son-daughter get-together. Ladies Auxiliary card party is on March 25, at 8.30 p.m. Refreshment committee is: Mrs. S. Eisman, Mrs. H. Baum. Members will bring friends.

● SHAARE ZION SISTERHOOD ●

Spring fund-raising project will be a tombola at a Purim tea on March 24, at 2.00 p.m., in the Cummings Memorial Auditorium. Ted Murphy, of Station CJAD, will be master of ceremonies and will conduct the drawing. Among forty prizes the grand prize is a sapphire-blue mink stole; others: metal storm door; a week-end in the Laurentians for two; table radio; hand-embroidered banquet cloth with napkins; twenty-one piece set of waterless cookware; men's and women's articles of apparel; household furnishings. Mrs. H. Held is chairman of projects. Tombola committee is: Mesdames Morton Cohen, George Berenbaum, Rudy Kanigsberg, Sol. Levin, Clifford Shapiro.

● NATIONAL FUND-RAISING ●

Council: Montrealers present at the meeting at the Royal York Hotel, in Toronto, Ont., were: co-chairman, Samuel Bronfman, 15 Belvedere Road; for the actions committee of the Labor Zionist Movement, I. M. Bobrove, 5022 Jean Brillant Avenue; A. Shnaider, 6275 Northcrest Place; for Canadian Association of Labor Israel, B. M. Bloomfield, 3180 St. Sulpice Road; for the Canadian Committee of the Federation of Jewish Community Services, and Welfare Funds, Edward Barkoff, 653 Roslyn Avenue; for Canadian ORT, Leon Crestohl, Q.C., M.P., 1755 Ducharme Avenue; for Hadassah Organization: Mesdames B. M. Bloomfield, 3180 St. Sulpice Road, financial secretary of Canadian Hadassah; Charles Eisenstat, 5621 Phillips Avenue; H. Heft, 4867 Roslyn Avenue, president, Montreal; W. Riven, 4128 Blueridge Crescent, National president; H. Wisenthal, 64 Summit Circle, treasurer, Montreal; for Jewish Labor Committee, Sidney Bloom, 11882 Guertin Street; Welfare Fund Committee, Monroe Abbey, 519 Clarke Avenue; for the combined Jewish Appeal, chairman, Percy Caplan, 4753 Westmount Boulevard; for the Zionist Men's Association, Leonard Cordes, 5387 King Edward Avenue; Leon Levin, 636 Belmont Avenue; Fred Packer, 3668 Vendome Avenue; Nathan Velnish, 585 Mariat Avenue; Lavy Becker, 4850 Jean Brillant Avenue, Canadian Jewish Congress executive; J. N. Frank, 28 Sunset Avenue, Z.O.C. executive; Michael Garber, 4338 Montrose Avenue, immediate past president of the Z.O.C.; N. Gaisin, 4885 Montclair Avenue; S. L. Kert, 214 St. Antoine Road, Z.O.C., executive; S. H. Harvey, 33 Maplewood Avenue, Congress executive; Harold Lande, Q.C., 698 Grosvenor Avenue, Congress executive; Bertram Loeb, Z.O.C., executive; M. H. Myerson, 5286 Cote St. Luc Road, Congress.

● TIFERETH ISRAEL ●

Synagogue Junior Ladies Auxiliary money shower had as convener, Mrs. A. Golub, 5235 Byron Avenue, with: Mesdames M. Atlas, 5584 Clanranald Avenue; H. Davidson, 4519 Van Horne Avenue; R. Kaplan, 2346 Goyer Avenue. The door prizes were won by Miss Myrna Webber and Mrs. M. Fitelberg; raffles by: Mesdames J. Feret, P. Noble, H. Sambad.

● BUCOVINER LADIES ●

Society friendship tea, bridge, and miniature bazaar, at 5101 Esplanade Avenue, was convened, by Mrs. I. Smith. Hostesses were: Mesdames M. Abrams, C. Bindman, S. Bronz, J. Busgang, H. Cone, N. Freeman, N. Goodman, L. Kaufmann, J. Shay, W. Schulsinger, S. A. Sternberg, H. Vinetsky, H. Yellin.

● CHEVRA KADISHA-BNAI JACOB ●

Synagogue, David Roth, Rabbi: William, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gershon Rubin, 5210 Van Horne Avenue, will be called to the Reading of the Torah on March 21, the occasion of his Bar Mitzvah. The Megillah will be read March 23, at 7:00 p.m. A reception will follow. The Sisterhood annual donor luncheon, March 24, at 12:30 p.m., will present a musical comedy, "Les Vybers", directed by Mrs. A. Ostroff, with this cast: Mesdames R. Azeff, S. Croll, I. Cohen, B. Daniels, I. Frank, B. Freed, S. Finestone, L. Kagan, J. Kessler, F. Leffell, M. Markoff, B. Rabinovitch, C. Kitman, E. Powell, B. Schlenger, Y. Seigler, G. Urtick, A. Vassall, L. Wall and D. Pollack. Stage crew is: Mesdames S. Boloten, M. Popliger and S. Bottler. Mrs. B. Schlenger is co-chairman and business manager of the drama group. Mrs. M. I. Moscovitch, president of the Sisterhood, will speak. Mrs. L. Landsman is convener; others: Mesdames K. Kitman, I. T. Marks; R. Cobrin, S. Moscovitch, ticket conveners. The children's Purim carnival will be held on March 22, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; prizes for the best costumes; entertainment. A Purim dance for teen-agers is on March 28. Those in charge of the carnival and the dance are: Mesdames I. Cransky, Lionel Richler; also A. Crystal. Rabbi Roth will be the guest speaker at the breakfast meeting of the Brotherhood on March 22.

● YOUNG ISRAEL ●

of Montreal, Mendel Lewittes, Rabbi: Men's Club celebration will honour Cantor Z. Halperin, on Saturday, March 21, at 8.30 p.m., in the Auditorium, "in appreciation of the devoted efforts of the Cantor, and his help with the children's choir." The ticket convener is Hyman Garber. Sisterhood annual "Queen For A Day" Purim party is on Monday, March 23, at 8.30 p.m.; ticket conveners, Mesdames J. Nitkin, J. Shenker. Home and School Association annual Purim carnival and masquerade contest is Sunday, March 29 at 1.00 p.m.; open to all boys and girls of the community, between the ages of four and twelve years; games; refreshments; conveners, D. Beiss, N. Dwoskin. The reading of the Megillah will be conducted in the Young Israel Synagogue, at the evening services on Monday, March 23, at 6.45 p.m.

● BETH AARON ●

Synagogue, Myer Schecter, Rabbi: Sisterhood children's "Frocks And Frolics" fashion show will take place on Wednesday, March 25, at 8.30 p.m. Models are, Ava Kanner and Charlene Wald, five-year-olds; Lorraine Shereck, and Rhea Stern, ten to twelve years; Eleanor Reubins, Naomi Lipsky and Carol Shostak, pre-'teen-age; Ellen Medicoff, Randy Klein, Shirley Rosen, Gloria Lipsky and Edythe Myers, 'teen-agers. Mrs. Jack Rabkin will be the commentator, Joseph Padulo, vocalist; Alexis Kanner, master of ceremonies; Bert Sherek, pianist; and Ava Kanner, Lorraine Shereck and Shirley Rosen, will sing. Co-conveners are Mesdames Al Segal, Harry Medicoff.

● NATIONAL WOMEN'S LEAGUE ●

of the United Synagogue of America, Eastern Canadian Branch, annual spring conference and luncheon will take place on Tuesday, March 31, at 12 o'clock, at Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue hall. Conveners are Mesdames M. Gruber, A. Finestone and N. Labow. A musical play, "The Days Of Our Year", directed by Mrs. N. Labow, has as co-ordinator, Mrs. Robert Shiller. Participants will be Cantor H. Glaser and members of the affiliated Sisterhoods: Mesdames Max Gruber, M. Berbrier and Robert Shiller, Adath Israel; Alvin Jacobs, Beth El; Victor Elkin, Shaar Hashomayim; G. Silverman, M. Schneider and W. Magil, Shaare Zedek; Esther Robinson, Louis Steinman, Georges Shubin, Sol Schwartz and N. Labow, Shaare Zion. Mrs. Jack Steinberg will preside.

● FEDERATION OF ROUMANIAN ●

Jews, Women's Division Purim social was at Beth David-Beth Yitzchok-Kehal Yeshurun Synagogue, with Mesdames B. Mayse, S. Abramovitch, as conveners. Assisting in serving were Mesdames M. Speirs, N. Herscovitch, N. Schwartz, E. Cohen, A. Silcoff, C. Weidenfield and F. Silverstone. The raffle donated by Mrs. A. Cohen, was won by Mrs. F. Silverstone, 4845 Cote St. Catherine Road, who gave a donation. A meeting, on April 1, at 8.30 p.m., is at the home of Mrs. M. Miller, 4876 Maplewood Avenue.

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Montreal, this 16th day of March, 1959.
John J. Gallinek, Q.C.,
Solicitor for the Applicant,
400 St. James St., West,
Suite 402, Montreal.

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NOTICE is hereby given that DAME THEODORA CORNELL MOORE, of St. Lambert, District of Montreal, Quebec, Housewife, will apply to the Parliament of Canada at the present next or next following session thereof for a Bill of Divorce from her husband, PERCIVAL RALPH MARTIN, Manager, on the ground of adultery.

Montreal, February 9rd, 1959.
Jacobs and Jacobs,
Attorneys for Petitioner,
Radio City Building, Suite 470,
385 Craig Street West,
Montreal, Quebec.

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TAKE NOTICE that ANTONIO CHOMA, salesman, of Fabreville, in the District of Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada, will apply to the Parliament of Canada at the present or next following session thereof for a Bill of Divorce from his wife, LAURETTE DE BONVILLE, of the City and District of Montreal, Province of Quebec, Canada, on the grounds of adultery.

Montreal, February 19th, 1959.
Abraham Cohen,
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Social Notes — Toronto

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Signer, 9 Graham Gardens, returned by T. C. A., having spent six weeks in Miami, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wasser, 172 Brighton Avenue, returned by plane from Miami Beach, Florida, where they spent three weeks at the Carillon Hotel.

Gary Goldstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sol. Goldstein, 9 Graymar Avenue, and Morris Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Adams, 67 Coxfield Avenue, sailed on the Queen Elizabeth for a six-week tour of Europe and Israel, and will return from Madrid by C.P.A. on March 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Mandelbaum, 17 Fraserwood Avenue, spent a few days in Detroit, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Hy. Beck, 271 Winnett Avenue, will visit his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Beck, of Montreal, Que., during Passover.

Miss Ruth Studnitz, 28 Glenbrook Avenue, formerly of Winnipeg, Man., will return there to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Studnitz, for Passover.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Salkovitch, 223 Strathearn Road, have returned from Los Angeles, Calif., where they visited her sister, Mrs. S. Harris, and her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. R. Levy. They also spent some time in Las Vegas, Nevada; and in Phoenix, Arizona, where they visited his brother, Stanley Salter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Don, 565 Duloraine Avenue, and her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. S. Shelter, 53 Neptune Drive, are motoring to Miami Beach, Florida, to remain for three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leibovitz, 603 Dufferin Street, returned home by T. C. A., after a five-week vacation in Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Schwartz, 447 Euclid Avenue, celebrated the sixth birthday of their son, Mendle, at their home, with thirty guests present. He is the brother of Sheldon, aged twelve years; Stanley, eight; and Cindy, four; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. I. Schwartz, 216 Strathearn Road; and of Mr. and Mrs. J. Orzech, 3 Kensington Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Naimark and son, Michael, Glenbrook Avenue, will be present at the bar-mitzvah of Gordon Michael, son of Mrs. Dorothy Zackon and of the late Myer Zackon, of Montreal, Que., who will be called to the Reading of the Law on March 21, at the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Fine, 17 Chiltern Hill Road, returned after a two-month's stay at the Bancroft Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida.

Miss Helen Fine, formerly of Toronto, who is now residing with her brother-in-law and sister, Dr. and Mrs. Martin Pearlstein, of Philadelphia, Pa., was here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Fine, 17 Chiltern Hill Road, and then left for a two-week vacation in Miami Beach, Florida. Miss Fine is employed at the office of the University of Pennsylvania, in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Irving Salaberg, 1711 Jane Street; and Mrs. Samuel Rife, 29 Meadowbrook Road, returned by T. C. A., having spent three weeks on holiday, at the Di Lido Hotel, in Miami Beach, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Samet, and son, Michael, of Cincinnati, Ohio, were here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Izzy Samet, 178 Acton Avenue; and his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kochberg, and their sons, Marshall and Ian. While they were here, they were present at the bar mitzvah of their cousin, Irving Weisdorf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Weisdorf, 25 Allingham Gardens.

A farewell party was held at the Barclay Hotel in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kanarick and daughter, Ruth, 10 Lyndhurst Court, who sailed for Europe. Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Irving Skopit, 1 Lyndhurst Court; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Skopit, 89 Allingham Gardens; Mr. and Mrs. Burton Skopit, 1 Berryton Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Skopit, 16 Sultana Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Morris Sylver, 2 Berryton Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Barney Alper, 1658 Bathurst Street; Mr. and Mrs. Izzy Gelman, 172 Strathearn Road; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Meyers, 17 Almington Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hoffman, 70 Palm Drive; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stern, 332 Rushton Road; Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dinets, 18 Markdale Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. Murray Epstein, 41 Konnard Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Skopit, 1 Lyndhurst Court, celebrated their thirty-second wedding anniversary at a dinner party at the Barclay Hotel. Present were their sons and daughters-in-law: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Skopit, 89 Allingham Gardens; Mr. and Mrs. Burton Skopit, 1 Berryton Avenue; Miss Lorraine Skopit, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Skopit, and her fiance, Jack Wall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wall. Also present were: Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Skopitz, 75 Allingham Gardens; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Skopit, 16 Sultana Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Morris Sylver, 2 Berryton Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Silver, 660 Oriole Parkway; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Donin, 7 Azrock Road; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wall, 68 Burr Road, and their son, Joseph Wall; Mrs. Minnie Wexler, 490 Wilson Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Barney Alper, 1658 Bathurst Street; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bamber, 20 Flemington Road; and Mrs. B. Burns, 1719 Bathurst Street. Mrs. Irving Skopit wore a Grecian-draped, blue, peau de soie sheath; with a corsage of pink and white roses.

Miss Marilyn Rinaldo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Rinaldo, 95 Playfair Avenue, and the fiancee of Gerald Mandel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Mandel, 6 Fairleigh Crescent, was guest of honour at a luncheon, with seventy-five guests, given by Mrs. M. E. Gans, 182 Glen Cedar Road; and Mrs. E. Goldstein, 923 Queen Street East, both aunts of the bride-elect; and Mrs. F. Rinaldo, 923 Queen Street East, grandmother of the bride-elect. Mrs. Gans wore an avocado-green peau de soie sheath, with short sleeves; Mrs. Goldstein, a black and white printed silk sheath, with a black cummerbund; Mrs. Rinaldo, a two-piece suit of navy-blue silk; and a corsage of red roses. Mrs. Rinaldo, mother of the bride-elect, wore a gold-coloured shirred silk sheath, with a scooped neckline and three-quarter-length sleeves. Mrs. Mandel, mother of the groom-to-be, wore a black and green print silk dress. Miss Marilyn Rinaldo, the bride-to-be, wore a navy-blue silk dress, fashioned with a scooped neckline, and a full, harem skirt which had a navy-blue and white polka dot panel in front; and she had a corsage of white gardenias. Seated at the head table with the above family members was Mrs. Russell Berg, sister of the groom-elect. The head table centerpiece was composed of varicoloured roses, carnations, chrysanthemums, and snapdragons; and the individual tables had similar arrangements.

Miss Annalea Gorvin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Gorvin, 76 Glen Park Avenue, and the fiancee of Saul Libstug, son of Mrs. Ann Libstug, 5180 Esplanade Avenue, Montreal, Que., and the late Harry Libstug, was in Montreal with her mother, where she was guest of honour at a luncheon at the Normandie Room of Mount Royal Hotel, given by Mrs. Libstug, and Mrs. Joseph Miller, 200 St. Aurbin Avenue, sister of the groom-elect, with ninety-five guests. Mrs. Libstug wore a beige and brown, silk print sheath, with a draped bodice. Mrs. Miller wore a blue, silk print sheath, and a matching bolero jacket with short sleeves. Mrs. Gorvin, mother of the bride-to-be, wore a coffee-brown, silk print dress, with a straight skirt; a V-neckline, and three-quarter-length sleeves. Their corsages were of white carnations. Miss Gorvin, the bride-to-be, wore red peau de soie, made with a semi-balloon skirt, scooped neckline, and cap sleeves. Her corsage was of white gardenias. The head table was decorated with pink candles in silver candlesticks with a centerpiece of red and white carnations arranged on a pink linen cloth. The individual tables were adorned with pink candles.

Miss Judith Gail Silverstein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Silverstein, 882 Cortleigh Boulevard, whose approaching marriage to Martin Stephen Marcus, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Marcus, of New York, takes place on Sunday, April 19, at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, was the guest of honour at a shower at the Town House Restaurant, with thirty guests, given by her cousin, Mrs. Abe Ziskin, and Mrs. Leah Shore, mother of Mrs. Ziskin, both of 774 Manning Avenue. Mrs. Ziskin wore a black, peau de soie sheath, made with a high neckline coming to a V in back, and caught at the waistline with a pearl brooch. Mrs. Shore wore a black, silk sheath, with a square neckline; and rope neckline of crystal beads. Mrs. Silverstein, mother of the bride-elect, wore a black, silk, two-piece dress, with a jewelled brooch. Mrs. Sarah Hoffman, 774 Manning Avenue, grandmother of the bride-elect, who assisted in receiving, wore a navy-blue, silk sheath, trimmed with a navy-blue and white polka-dot bow fastened at the shoulder. Miss Judith Silverstein, the honoured guest, wore a black, silk sheath, with two cameo pins at the shoulder. The tables were set up to form a horse-shoe effect, with the head table and side tables decorated with pink and white floral centerpieces.

Joseph Zelig Greenbaum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Greenbaum, 803 St. Clair Avenue West, was called to the Reading of the Law, in celebration of his bar-mitzvah, at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue. He is the brother of Goldie, aged nine years. A Kiddush luncheon followed. A dinner and reception took place the next evening at the Synagogue. Mrs. Greenbaum wore a gown which had a white lace bodice, with a rounded neckline trimmed with rhinestones; and a pale blue, full skirt; with a corsage of red and white carnations and roses. Also receiving were: Mrs. Joseph Fishbain; Mrs. Jack Weinberg, of Chicago, Ill., Theodore Greenbaum and Leon Sherman, of New York; all cousins of the bar-mitzvah boy. Mrs. Fishbain wore a navy-blue shantung gown, with a full skirt; and a corsage of red and white roses. Mrs. Weinberg wore a light blue, shantung gown, with a full skirt; and had a corsage of red and white roses. Those who were seated at the head table with the above family members were: Dr. Walter S. Wurzburger, Rabbi; Myer Mann, Mr. and Mrs. F. Glickman, great-uncle and aunt of the bar-mitzvah boy; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fishbain, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Weinberg, and Donald Weinberg, of Chicago, Ill.; all cousins of the bar-mitzvah boy. Myer Mann was toastmaster. Those who lit candles with the above family members and head table guests were: Mr. and Mrs. N. Freedman, Mr. and Mrs. M. Greenwood, Mr. and Mrs. S. Gotkin; all cousins of the bar-mitzvah boy; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Morgan and Mrs. Pearl Melman. The head table was decorated with two bouquets of white, pink, blue, and yellow daffodils, tulips, and chrysanthemums, and a white birthday cake.

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Dennis Harold, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Silverberg, 6 Prince Charles Drive, will be called to the Reading of the Law, in celebration of his bar-mitzvah, on March 28, in Beth Sholom Synagogue. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barnett, 240 Oriole Parkway; and of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Silverberg, 660 Eglinton Avenue West. Kiddush will be observed.

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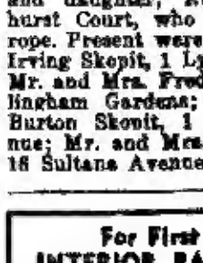

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TORONTO MEETINGS

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• NATIONAL FUND RAISING COUNCIL •

Leaders of all major Canadian Jewish organizations appealed to Canadian Jews to give greater financial support to the movement of Jews from Eastern Europe to Israel. Their conference, which was attended by more than 105 persons at the Royal York Hotel was called into session by Samuel Bronfman and Lawrence Freiman, co-chairmen of the National Fund Raising Council for Israel and Overseas, which seeks $1,600,000 as Canada's share in financing the transport and resettlement of mass immigration to Israel. The emigration impact on Israel's people was described by Israel Ambassador to Canada Arthur Lourie. Mr. Bronfman and Mr. Freiman. Mr. Bronfman called attention to the multitude of problems created for Israel by the sudden influx of tens of thousands of immigrants and asked the delegates to take back to their organizations and communities "a deep personal understanding of this massive emergency facing our people". He urged "top priority giving" to help meet the needs of the newcomers. Mr. Freiman said that the vast human need resulting from the pressure of immigration "was a matter of honour, a responsibility to be accepted by the Canadian Jewish community and Jews throughout the world rather than shouldered by hard-pressed Israel alone". Toronto members present were: A. B. Bennett, Congress; Stephen Berger, Mannie Brown, Z.O.C.; Mrs. B. Cooper, Congress; John R. Devor, Z.O.C.; Dr. A. Epstein, Holy Blossom Temple; J. Finkelman, Congress; M. Goldstick, Z.O.C.; Dr. S. B. Hurwich, Congress; Sam. Kronick, Z.O.C.; J. I. Oelbaum, Congress; David Peters, Q.C., Z.O.C.; Frank Rubenstein, Hamilton; M. Shecter, Beth Sholom Synagogue; Mrs. L. Sherizen-Sharon, Q.C., Z.O.C.; A. Shifrin, Q.C., R. Slonim, Robert H. Soren, Harry Steiner, Z.O.C.; M. Summer, Windsor; and Hart D. Wintrob, Congress; Harry Wolfson, Z.O.C.

• JEWISH PUBLIC LIBRARY •

Presented a program of Jewish music at Bath Sholom Synagogue, for Jewish Music Month, attracting almost four hundred people. Bert Godfrey, president, spoke and Julius Marcus, member of the board, was chairman. Rev. N. Stolnitz, author of "Music In Jewish Life", spoke on "The Musical Bridge Between Israel And The Diaspora". John Weinzweig, professor of music at the University of Toronto, and a noted Canadian composer, was introduced by the vice-president, Julius Hayman, and spoke on "The Composer And The Jewish Community, Their Relationship From Biblical Times To The Present Day". Cantor H. Wahrman, of Beth Sholom Synagogue, sang liturgical music; Cantor E. Wyse, of London, Ont., Jewish folk songs. Rabbi David Monson, Max Shector, president of the congregation, and Dr. I. Frankel, director of the Library, participated. Morley J. Pape, treasurer of the Library, thanked the guest artists, speakers, and Board of the Synagogue. The Synagogue served refreshments.

• ZIONIST ORGANIZATION •

Of Canada: Ben Newman, of St. Catharines, Ont., is the new chairman of the 24th Regional Conference of the Central Division, on May 23, 24, in Niagara Falls, Ont. David Peters, Q.C., is president of the Ontario Zionist Region. Mr. Newman's parents were Zionists and co-founders of the Jewish community of St. Catharines. He was born there, attended Queen's University, and served in the Canadian Army as 2nd Lieutenant during the last war. Mr. Newman was a member of the Central Canadian study mission which visited Israel last November and has been active in the Zionist Organization. Joe Lieberman, of Kitchener; Irving Frisch, Robert H. Soren, Harry Wolfson, Julius Hayman, William Zimmerman, Jack D. Pearlstein, public relations, all of Toronto, are the steering committee. The convention committee is: B. Freeman, of Belleville; Samuel Nyman, of Brantford; Max Saltzman, of Galt; Sidney Brown, of Guelph; Harold Bornstein, Frank Rubinstein, of Hamilton; Rabbi J. Bassan, Sheldon Cohen, of Kingston; Joe Lieberman, Al. Rosenberg, Alex Oray, of Kitchener; Dr. I. Goldstick, I. Siskind, of London; W. Freedman, Henry Wiseman, of North Bay; Louis Schreibman, of Orillia; Abe Gurbet, of Owen Sound; Rabbi A. M. Babb, Mrs. I. Moldaver, of Peterborough; Alec Rosaman, of Port Colborne; Max Garmaise, of Rouyn-Noranda; A. Green, of St. Thomas; Jack Love, A. J. Richmond, of Sudbury; Meyer Bucovetsky, of Timmins; Mrs. A. B. Bennett, Maurice Berg, Mannie Brown, John R. Devor, H. Epstein, Irving Frisch, Mrs. Wilfard Gordon, C. Grosberg, Julius Hayman, Dr. E. M. Heller, Mrs. Louis James, Mrs. Lawrence Kert, Mark A. Levy, Allan Lewis, Louis L. Lockshin, Jack D. Pearlstein, David Peters, Q.C.; Dr. Stuart E. Rosenberg, Rabbi; Samuel Sable, Robert H. Soren, H. W. Tanenbaum, I. B. Weinstein, L. Weinstein, Mrs. Ruth Wilson, Harry Wolfson, Harry Zifkin, William Zimmerman, of Toronto; Harry Carrel, Dr. H. O. Singer, of Welland; Harry Rosenthal, Morris Tabachnick, of Windsor. In charge of local convention arrangements in Niagara Falls are: chairman, Harold D. Rosberg, with: Irving I. Ackerman, Hyman Bogomolny, Ferdinand Muller, Louis Stein, Leslie Weisz, Philip Zukor, Mrs. Ferdinand Muller, president of the Sisterhood of Congregation Bnai Jacob, Niagara Falls, and Mrs. Harold D. Rosberg, president of the local Rose Dunkelman Chapter of Hadassah will look after the reception for delegates.

• HAPOEL HAMIZRACHI •

Etzion Chapter celebrated Jewish Music Month, at the home of Mrs. W. Berger, 283 Brunswick Avenue. Mrs. Jack Lubotsky is president. Israeli records were played and simplified by Mrs. A. Figdor who also sang, and led the members in singing Israeli folk songs. Mrs. Samuel Applebaum won the raffle donated by Mrs. S. Waverman. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

• JEWISH HOME FOR THE AGED •

and Bayerest Hospital theatre night revue was produced and directed by Albert Siegel, of the Barclay Hotel. Mrs. Morris S. Till is president of the Women's Auxiliary. Mrs. Bert Godfrey was chairman of the first fund-raising event with Mesdames Samuel Gans, Murray M. Herman, Maurice Rotstein; Jack J. Silverman, recording secretary; committee members: Mesdames Louis Posluns, Louis Berger, Arthur L. Soles, Abe Posluns, Frank A. Silverman, Julius Hayman, H. Robert Kobrick, Herbert Allen, Meyer Bremner, Frank Godfrey, Jess Kaplan, Morris J. Weisz, Samuel Bland, Maurice Lavine, Harry Lucatch, Eon Gilmore. The proceeds will go toward the new project of furthering mental hygiene, diabetic control, self-help program, day care. After the show a reception was held at Beth Tzedec Synagogue by: Abe Posluns, president of the Home, and Mrs. Posluns; Mr. and Mrs. Morris Till, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Godfrey, for the patrons.

• HADASSAH •

A reception meeting for the Youth Aliyah campaign, was at the home of Mrs. Jacob Goldstein, 7 Robinwood Avenue. Mrs. Maurice Rotstein, co-ordinating chairman of Youth Aliyah campaign, was chairman. Mrs. Goldstein introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Ezra Lozinski, of Montreal, Que., national Youth Aliyah chairman, who spoke on the twenty-five years of the Youth Aliyah movement. Mrs. B. Mayer, who is Youth Aliyah Hadassah Chapter chairman, with Mrs. J. Goldstein, spoke on the campaign. Mrs. Morris Kaufman, Youth Aliyah "Book Of Life" chairman, spoke on the "Book Of Life" luncheon, on April 15, at the home of Mrs. A. B. Bennett, 5 Burton Road; guests other than Hadassah members will be welcomed by contribution. Mrs. B. Mayer and Mrs. J. Goldstein are co-chairmen of Youth Aliyah for Toronto Hadassah chapters with their committee: Mesdames E. Lester, J. Alter, W. Goldberg, and I. Lerman. Present at the meeting were chapter Youth Aliyah chairmen: Mrs. H. Silver, of Adena; Mesdames S. Rosen, Akiba; H. Tenenbaum, Aliyah; Miss Dodie Leeds, Anne Frank; Mesdames G. Ruben, Annie Wolfson; F. Shuster, Aviva; Miss Fanny Schopp, Balfoura: Mesdames J. Tully, Ben Gurion; K. Ducas, Beth Alpha; P. Cappe, Beth El; D. Cappe, Beth Gan; B. Shore, Bialik; A. Howard, Carmel; J. Rosenbaum, Central; I. Cohen, Daughters of Zion; J. Bergman and S. Brenzel, Deborah; I. Shienfield, Eban; A. Blackstein and P. Rosenberg, Eilat; J. Banks and M. Tara, Emek; I. L. Ross, Galil; P. Sporn, Golda Meir; Reva Sherman and M. Cohen, Habonot; Miss Rhoda Cosman, Hadassim; Mesdames W. Seigel, Haifa; B. Okun and M. Fishman, Hatikvah; S. Cohen and L. Silver, Hedara; L. Berk, Henrietta Szold; C. Kaufman, Herzlia; Miss Phyllis Wingold, Ilana; Mesdames N. Rogul, Israeli; N. Bochner, Jordan; L. Markus, Kadimah; J. Silvert, Kennereth; R. Axler and S. Simon, Lillian Freiman; E. Biayls, Medinah; J. Vogler, Menorah; J. Cole, Miriam; S. Nisenbaum, Modin; F. Brass, Nahalal; L. Kert, Naomi; Mesdames R. Satok, Noar; S. Zamonsky, Northern; L. Mendelson, Olga Shayne; H. Lepofsky, Pearle Goodfellow; M. Kriss, Queen Esther; B. Wilkes, Rehovat; Bess Starr, Reyah; N. Stein, Rishon; J. Tenenbaum and A. Nathanson, Rose Dunkelman; J. Firestone, Ruth; J. Chapman, Sabra; F. Bulter, Sarafand; J. Jacobs, Schmarya Levine; L. Posluns, Scopus; H. Satok, Shalom; J. Goldenberg, Sharon; D. Gwartz, Tamar; S. Rotenberg, Tel Aviv; W. Drevnig, Tel Hai; S. Mandel and W. Goldberg, Weizmann; M. Goldberg, Western; B. Axmith, Yaffah; Bruce Smith and Stanley Wagman, Ziona.

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Purim or Lots, like Chanukah, is a lesser festival and comes on the fourteenth day of Adar. Like Chanukah, Purim is not imbued with religious solemnity. There is no cessation of work and no special ceremonials have been built around it. Like Chanukah, it is also a day of deliverance.

On Chanukah the deliverance of Judaism is observed; on Purim the deliverance of the Jews is celebrated. But while Chanukah is a dated festival commemorating great events in the history of the Jewish people — the revolt and victory of the Hasmoneans — the origin of Purim has been lost in the dimness of antiquity.

The story of Purim has been preserved for us in the Book of Esther. The story deals with an episode in the life of the Jews who lived in Persia during the reign of Ahasuerus known to history as Xerxes. The story is typical in its main outlines of the long chain of persecutions to which the Jews in the dispersion have always been subjected.

Mordecai, an assimilated rich Jew, rises in power and influence with the royal court; his niece, the beautiful Esther, is taken into the harem and becomes the King's favorite. Haman, the new minister because of a grudge against Mordecai the Jew, vents his spleen on the Jewish people as a whole. He presents them to the King as a dangerous people, "scattered and dispersed throughout the empire, different in their laws from all other people, and refusing to obey the King's laws."

Haman obtains the King's signature to an act ordering a massacre of the Jews; a lot is cast, and the day of execution is set for the thirteenth of Adar. The Jews of Susa fast and pray; Mordecai conveys the information to Queen Esther, whose Jewish antecedents remained unknown at court. She invites the King and his minister to a feast, and then pleads with the King for the life of her people. A new act is promulgated by the King, giving the Jews the right to organize themselves for self-defense. Thus the calamity is averted. In commemoration of the event the festival of Purim is instituted.

The story in full as told in the Book of Esther is a most fascinating Oriental tale and reads like one from the Arabian Nights. Some historians and Bible students are of the opinion that the actual events of the story could not have happened in the days of King Ahasuerus. They doubt the historical authenticity of the principle characters of Mordecai and Esther, for their names closely resemble the names of Babylonian Gods, Merduk and Istar. The Book of Esther according to them is not a book of history, but a historical novel that relates a lengthy tale of ancient Jews.

The great historian, Simon Dubnow, on the other hand, disregards their evidence and is of the opinion that the story is an authentic one, and happened at the time of Ahasuerus. Dubnow thinks that the use of non-Jewish names by Mordecai and Esther is a practice common among assimilated Jews to this day. In fact, we find mentioned Hadassah as being Esther's Jewish name.

It is interesting to note that the famous Maimonides, in his great code, makes the following statement: "In the days of the Messiah . . . the only sacred book which will be remembered will be the Pentateuch and the scroll of Esther."

But whatever views may exist among certain Jews, the Jewish people as a whole have taken Purim to their hearts. To them it is a true story, more truthful than many stories of undoubted authenticity. For the story of the Book of Esther happened a countless number of times and keeps on happening to this very day.

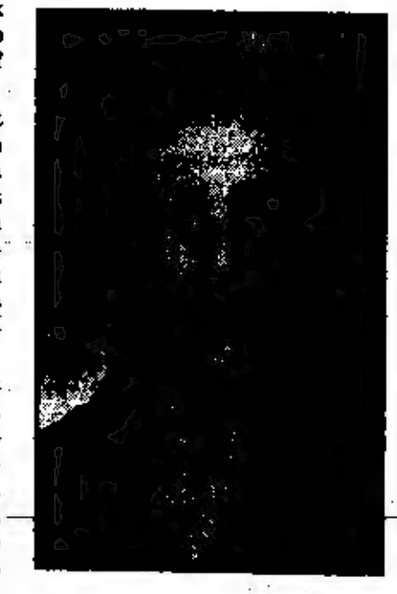
It is not at all strange that such a festival connected with a book that tells of the indestructibility of the Jewish nation, appealed to all Jews in all times. The great popularity of Purim lay, also, in the fact that it is the only worldly holiday that has no religious observations or ceremonials. Instead it has many old customs associated with it.

Thus, both in the Diaspora and in Palestine, Purim more than any other festival is celebrated with joy and even frivolity. In the Diaspora celebrations include: Haman-clapping during the reading of the Megillah, Shalach-monos — gifts to the poor — and the Purim-shpiel which is the origin of the Jewish Theatre. On the day of Purim all is joyful and one can revel, be a good fellow and forget his troubles.

In Palestine, the Jews created the Purim Carnival, which, in normal times, bring thousands into Tel-Aviv every year to see its pageantry and its colorful ceremonies and to participate in the free and unrestricted gaiety that pervades the streets. Purim will never grow old. Purim symbolizes the eternity of the Jew. Hamans have come and gone; their memories have been blotted out. The Jew and his cultural heritage survived and continues to live and create.

Israel Bond Committee Of Montreal Honours Mrs. Golda Meir, Foreign Minister Of Israel, For 30 Years Of Service

Problems between the Arabs and Israel are human rather than political, Mrs. Golda Meir, Israeli Foreign Minister, said when she came to address an audience of nearly 2,000 at the Israel Bond rally in the Queen Elizabeth Hotel. She told reporters that Israel's Prime Minister David Ben Gurion had been trying "for years" to get Arab leaders to a conference to settle their differences. Mr. Ben Gurion says if the Arabs would only accept Israel as a fact and agree to negotiate a settlement,



MRS. GOLDA MEIR
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"we could arrive at a solution in one hour." She said Israel had a right to welcome Jewish refugees from Eastern Europe, "no matter what the objections of our neighbors may be. We are a sovereign state and reserve the right to make our own policies of immigration." Mrs. Meir was reluctant to discuss in detail the movement of East European refugees, though she said not one Arab would be displaced by a newly-arrived immigrant. "After all, if you look back in our history you will know we are experts on refugees. We need these people to cultivate the Negev and provide strong sinews for production. If the Arabs would only realize that we have no plans but to develop our resources and live peacefully and, yes, share our blessings with them!" The current situation in Iraq, she said, is proof that Premier Nasser of Egypt "is a threat to all countries in that area. We all know his philosophy is to create his sphere of influence first in the Middle East, then in Islam, finally in Africa. The pattern of his dream is deftly described in his own book." Have attempts been made by third parties to bring the two sides together? Yes, Mrs. Meir replied, but without success. "It is too bad, but that is the truth. The feeling of the Arab leaders is simply that to accept Israel as a fact would be an admission that she exists and cannot be destroyed. Well, the Sinai campaign has proved that it is much simpler to make radio attacks than to destroy Israel." Mrs. Meir told a hushed audience at the Bond rally her own dramatic story of Jewish persecution in her native Ukraine. She well remembered her own experiences, she said, as a young child when she saw her father nailing a board to the front door of their home because they had heard a report that another "pogrom" — a massed attack against Jews — was about to explode.

"All we knew or could do at the time," she told an audience of close to 2,000 at Israel Bond rally in the Queen Elizabeth Hotel, "was to nail another board to the door. That was our only choice." Mrs. Meir said the family went to Milwaukee, Wis., from Europe when she was eight years old, and she later became a school teacher and moved to what was then Palestine, in 1921.

The Montreal Star said in an editorial: The Montreal Jewish community, under the leadership of the Montreal Israel Bond Committee, pays tribute to a distinguished visitor, Mrs. Golda Meir, Foreign Minister of Israel. The particular occasion is Mrs. Meir's completion of 30 years of public service in the Israeli cause. Mrs. Meir's work for Israel, both within the country and throughout the world, began eight years before she was elected a delegate to the World Zionist Congress in 1929. Her life reflects the history of the Zionist struggle to establish a Jewish homeland and the continuing struggle to maintain and develop it. For their first three years in Palestine, the Meir family worked as farmers, members of a kibbutz (communal farm). In 1924, she became treasurer of the Office of Public Works in Tel Aviv. In 1928, she became a member of the Women's Labor Council and in 1929 a delegate to the World Zionist Congress. Mrs. Meir's responsibilities and far-ranging activities continued to grow; in 1946-47 she was a delegate to the United Nations, in 1948, she was negotiating with King Abdullah of Jordan in an effort to prevent Arab-Israeli war. As minister of labor, she directed the tremendous task of absorbing hundreds of thousands of immigrants into Israel's economy; she was the first Israeli minister to the Soviet Union. She has been Israel's foreign minister since 1956. Tribute to Mrs. Meir could not be more deserved. No one could be more truly representative of the land for which she has labored so long and so well.

More than 100 distinguished American leaders in public and communal life joined in the sponsorship of a nationwide tribute to Mrs. Golda Meir. Announcement of the formation of the Golda Meir Tribute Committee was made by Lawrence G. Laskey, of Boston, chairman. Members included Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, honorary chairman; U.S. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas; former Governor Adlai E. Stevenson of Illinois; former Senator Herbert H. Lehman; former Governor Averell Harriman of New York; Mayor Robert F. Wagner, of New York; Senators Jacob K. Javits and Kenneth B. Keating, of New York; Thomas K. Finletter, former U. S. Secretary of the Air Force; James A. Farley, Caroline K. Simon, Secretary of State of New York State, and Leon H. Keyserling, former chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers. Others serving on the Committee include the world-famous 'cellist Pablo Casals; Miss Fannie Hurst, novelist; Dore Schary, noted film producer and playwright; Zino Francescatti, violin virtuoso; Richard Tucker, renowned tenor of the Metropolitan Opera Company; Dr. Charles Munch, Conductor of the Boston Symphony Orchestra; Ogden R. Reid, former president and editor of the New York Herald-Tribune; Jack Benny, Eddie Cantor, Edward G. Robinson, Jerry Lewis. The Committee is still in formation.

SOVIET MARKS

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yan at United Nations headquarters in January. This is that Soviet Jews are now so assimilated into general Soviet culture that they have no interest in creating or supporting Yiddish literature or a Yiddish theatre.

The only deviation from that position in recent years has been the permission given for concerts of Yiddish songs. Such concerts have been held before large and enthusiastic audiences in many Soviet cities.

The attention paid Sholom Aleichem's centennial suggests some revision of the old position. But Izvestia recently made clear that there was no change in the opposition to Zionism or large-scale emigration of Soviet Jews to Israel.

ISRAEL BOND

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The unprecedented sale opening the new drive came from purchases by 1,600 delegates, attending the national inaugural conference of the Israel Bond Organization and from sales in communities throughout the U.S. and Canada.

Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, told an overflow assemblage in the Fountainebleau Hotel that her nation's task of resettling "so many thousands of Jews from eastern European countries represents a primary claim upon our resources and our readiness to sacrifice."

Speaking at a conference dinner in her honor, the Israeli official emphasized that the "foundation of the state of Israel is its sovereign right to determine its own immigration laws."

"We will not be deterred," she said, "by any outside force from carrying out our solemn duty to receive Jews who are now coming to Israel."

In declaring that Israel had absorbed 1,000,000 immigrants in the first ten years of its existence, Mrs. Meir asserted that her nation would not "permit anyone to dictate how many Jews we shall admit." Recent dispatches from Arab states, says the New York Times, have reported opposition to the influx of Jewish immigrants from eastern Europe.

THE PURIM SPIEL

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a great many Purim customs it went out of fashion during the last century, though occasional modest efforts are still encountered locally. But it left its mark upon Jewish life through its heirs, the Yiddish and Hebrew drama. The mark was not a great one for, as a form of art, the Purim-spiel was crude and primitive. In retrospect and evaluation the remark of Israel Abrahams about the Jewish drama is probably still valid: "Whatever the mission of Israel may be, it is obvious that the production of dramatic masterpiece was no portion of it."

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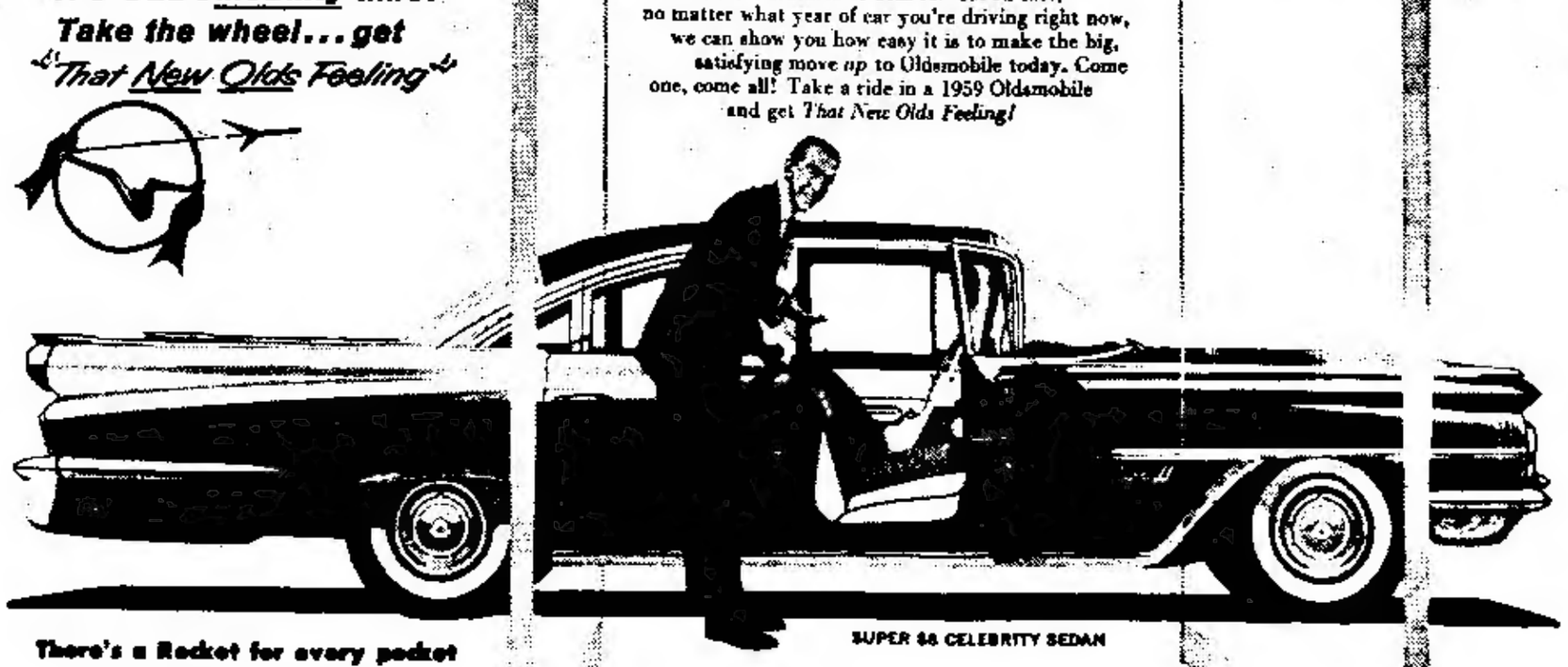

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